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## 'An eye test saved my life'



BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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**A teenage girl has thanked the optician who saved her life after spotting signs of a brain tumour during a regular eye check up.**

Lauren Whittington, a 17-year-old sixth form student at Kingsthorpe College, had been experiencing migraines for several months, which regular opticians did not diagnose.

It was only during a visit to the Specsavers store on Abington Street with her mum when optometrist, Nicole

Barber, noticed an abnormality behind her eye.

Nicole then referred Lauren to A&E at Northampton General Hospital, before she was sent to Nottingham University Hospital Eye Clinic for an MRI scan, where her fears were confirmed.

Lauren then had an operation to remove the tumour, which was successful.

"The last couple of months have been the scariest in my life," she said. "I am just glad that it was diagnosed so quickly."

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## text 2 text

What is your favourite sandwich?

Toasted emmental cheese, ham and onion.

If 'Terry Doyle' was a drink, what would it be?

Not a big drinker but like a lager shandy made with Italian beer.

What is your most treasured memento?

I still have the chair my grandad used as a headmaster at a school in Co Kildare.

What song makes you cry or get emotional?

The Parting Glass by Liam Clancy.

Where is your favourite spot in the world, and why?

Rome, I love the Eternal City and go regularly with my wife. We enjoy the atmosphere, the food and the coffee.

Who is the most famous person you have met face to face?

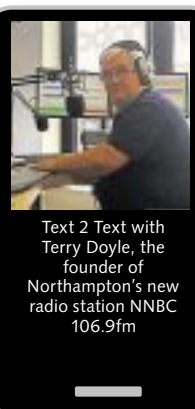
Norman Wisdom, Noel Edmonds, Johnny Briggs, Timmy Mallet, Gilbert O Sullivan. . .

What is the one item you have lost or broken and want to get back?

My S type Jag. We broke it and had to scrap it.

What song makes you feel the happiest?

Peter Gabriel, In Your Eyes



Text 2 Text with Terry Doyle, the founder of Northampton's new radio station NNBC 106.9fm

## Editor's Letter



### Can you hear that? The annual student migration begins . . .

Have you noticed the noise? All around the town, queueing in shops, walking down the street, everywhere you go. Chatter, sometimes singing, and eventually (inevitably) music from somewhere probably involving Bluetooth.

Have you noticed the haircuts? The guys all have their hair done in styles that seem to capture their hair in motion, slewing off to one side like Tin-Tin in a force ten gale.

And the clothes, have you noticed their clothes? A lot of dark clothes, in layers, not quite smart but not exactly scruffy.

It's the sights and sounds of an extra 13,000 people in Northampton, mostly young and of course fizzing with an earnest desire to push back the boundaries of human knowledge because they are students.

The University of Northampton's class of '16 has arrived fresh from who knows where and this is their new home.

We notice it a lot around the Racecourse and St George's Avenue because the students flow in shoals around that part of town.

It's not just the uni learners there. The

There are going to be kids out on the town who are having their first taste of freedom

Bosworth College students are also making their way to and fro.

The town is has had an injection of youthful vitality and we should be pleased about it.

In return we have to look out for them too. There are going to be some kids out on the town who are having their first taste of freedom away from home.

Some wobbly people might need helping into cabs at some point, and who knows what else.

Let's be there for them if we can, because the town would be a lot poorer without them, no matter how loud their parties are.

Steve Scoles





# Stolen pup is rescued

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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A puppy snatched by two men in a van from outside her home has been reunited with her delighted owners.

Poppy, a six-month-old cocker spaniel, was stolen from the driveway of her home in East Haddon on Wednesday, September 21.

The crime led to an online campaign to find the chocolate brown puppy, who was initially believed to have been taken to Essex.

A Facebook page was set up by owners Gilly Wrathall and James Sealy, and a post appealing for her return fetched 55,000 shares in just one week.

But on Sunday night, 11 days after she was stolen, it was social media which led police to an address in Northampton, where they found Poppy and reunited her with her delighted owners.

Gilly said: "We're so pleased to have her home, she has been reunited with our other dog Tumble and they spent a large part of last night running round excitedly together."

"I would like to thank everyone who shared our appeal online, it was through the power of social media that we have got Poppy back and I can't say thank you enough."

"I also want to thank the police for taking us seriously when we reported Poppy's theft, and for all they have done to find her."

When Poppy was stolen, Gilly spoke of her heartbreak.

She said: "I can't describe how awful the last few days have been. There's a huge, gaping hole in our lives at the moment."

Gilly had been working in an outbuilding outside the home when a van pulled up.

She later called her dogs inside, but only Tumble returned.

Police say an investigation is ongoing and no arrests have been made.

BACK HOME: Owner Gilly Wrathall with Poppy (right) and other dog Tumble

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# MY PERSONAL PLAYLIST

Julie Mead



The East Northants and Corby community inspector shares her favourite musical hits

## Ghost Town The Specials

A reminder of the days the miners went on strike when I grew up in County Durham

## Oh Carolina Shaggy

Anthem of my days at police school in Ryton-On-Dunsmore

## I Fought the Law The Clash

One of my regular customers serenaded me at the station with this song

## Pure Shores All Saints

Reminder of when me and my husband got married on a beach

## Don't Stop Me Now Queen

Twenty-five years of policing, and five years left to serve. This song applies!

# Have you snapped our picture of the week?



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## Mini railway

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This week's comes from Rob Boler at the Northampton Society of Model Engineers' last public run of the season. It shows a replica of the British Railways Britannia class pacific steam engine being hauled along the miniature railway.

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**BEHIND BARS:** The group who trafficked £4 million of Class A drugs into Northants

# 147 years in jail for drugs gang

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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A gang of criminals have been jailed for 147 years after they were caught trying to flood Northamptonshire's streets with Class A drugs.

The group of 20 men and one woman were sentenced at Northampton Crown Court last Friday for their roles in trafficking 3.5 kilos of drugs with an estimated street value of £4 million.

Three gangs, headed by Liam Stray, Paul Bush and Stuart Bailey - from Earls Barton, Rushden and Raunds respectively - organised the purchase of large quantities of cocaine with a purity of up to 71 per cent, which were trafficked into Northamptonshire, and mainly Wellingborough.

Working with deputies, couriers and sub-dealers, the criminal enterprise then diluted the drugs - which had been purchased from Luton and Manchester, as well as safe houses where drugs were stored - down with other chemicals for onward sale.

But a major operation by the East Midlands Special Operations Unit (EMSOU), supported by police in Northamptonshire, Luton and Manchester, stopped them in their tracks, and found more than £85,000 in cash and, as well 125 grams of heroin.

EMSOU Detective Constable Ian Hollyoake, said: "This has been an extensive investigation which started in 2014 and has concluded with lengthy sentences.

"Those sentenced played their parts in a cycle of harm and their jailing goes some way toward reducing the damage. It also means three substantial drug routes into Northamptonshire have now been blocked."

The jailed gang members are as follows:

- Liam Stray, 37, of Earls Barton: 12 years and eight months
- Paul Bush, 38, of Rushden: 12 years
- Ben Monaghan, 35, of no fixed address: 10

years

■ Charles Holland, 32, of Wellingborough: 10 years

■ George Russell, 31, of Wellingborough: four years

■ Daniel Coxall-Carr, 25, of Little Irchester: nine years

■ Jamie McKinnon Phillips, 36, of Wellingborough: six years and four months

■ Helen Moore, 28, of Irchester: five years and four months

■ Nathan Inkley, 24, of Irchester: two years and two months

■ Will Owens, 24, of Bedfordshire: three years and eight months

■ John Parker, 50, of Irthlingborough: six years

■ Brian Kingsnorth, 33, of Corby: 12 years

■ Nathan Rennoldson, 24, of Irthlingborough: four years and eight months

■ Armajit Singh Sembhi, 73, of Wellingborough: Six years

■ Stuart Bailey, 33, of Raunds: 10 years and eight months

■ Callum Mains, 31, of Raunds: Four years and four months

■ Tony Bolton, 42, of Rushden: Nine months, suspended for two years

■ Tauyub Ulshan, 31, of Bury: 10 years and eight months

■ Bradley Nathan Hall, 31, of Bury: Five years and eight months

■ Michael James Campbell, 28, of Bury: Six years

■ Paul Greenwood, 28, of Bury: Five years and eight months

This comes in the same week another, separate gang in Northamptonshire who supplied £1 million of Class A drugs to another gang in Nottinghamshire were jailed for 31 years.

The gang, headed by Mirjan Kola, 26, of Wootton in Northampton - who was handed a 14 year sentence - had purchased cocaine and cannabis from London, before supplying them to a gang in Nottinghamshire.

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## Top social worker



Northants social worker Mel Godfrey has won the Outstanding Contribution award at The Fostering Network's Excellence Awards. Mel, who works with teenagers, has been chosen for helping a carer who was assaulted by a young person in their care.

## MPs hail our ale



MPs were called to order... some Bell Ringer ale from Towcester at their House of Commons bar. Towcester Mill Brewery supplied the ales last month. It was a chance for MPs - like South Northants MP Andrea Leadsom (pictured) - to host ales from their areas.

## New radio station now live on air

## Nicholas Bieber chats to Terry Doyle, the founder of new radio station, NNBC

'From Briar Hill to Brayfield', 'from Ecton to Bugbrooke' and 'from Upton to Duston'.

When you hear these jingles, you'll know you've tuned into 106.9 NNBC.

And you'll also know it is a radio station about one thing only - Northampton.

(It's so Northampton even the town's postcode is in its name).

At 11am on Saturday this new community radio station took to the airwaves for the first time from its studio at the University of Northampton's student accommodation in the town centre's Cultural Quarter.

With a focus on music from the 60s to current hits, the station, kitted out with the latest technology, hopes to deliver content that is 'all about local'.

It features national and local news bulletins as well as

weather, traffic and travel updates.

But, as one of its many jingles state, 'we love being local'. And to show this, the station - which was first founded in 2012 - will be using air time to talk to the very people that make up the town.

From hearing how charities work, to promoting events and highlighting issues facing communities - 106.9 NNBC will follow one aim: 'to reflect real life in Northampton'.

And this aim will be helped by a partnership forged with the University of

Northampton - which will offer its students the chance to volunteer at the station.

But it is a team of trained presenters, led by its founder Terry Doyle - a broadcaster with nearly 40 years' experience - who will keep

TUNED IN: Terry Doyle, founder of community radio station NNBC



NNBC running day and night.

Terry said: "It's all about the town, it's all about making Northampton better again, and putting this town in a good light."

"It's about the people of the town, the voices, the sound... it's about reflecting Northampton back onto its people who live, work and breathe here, and that is what it's all about for me."

But with the town already being home to a community radio station - namely Inspiration FM - as well as BBC Radio Northampton, some may argue it will be difficult for the station to slot into the mix.

But Terry sees only positives from this, adding it is 'good to have options'. He said: "Inspiration FM is a great radio station, they serve a small audience - but

that's their brief. BBC Radio Northampton is a completely separate radio station with those concerning Northamptonshire as a county. But you see, NNBC serves the broad audience in Northampton exclusively, and that is a first."

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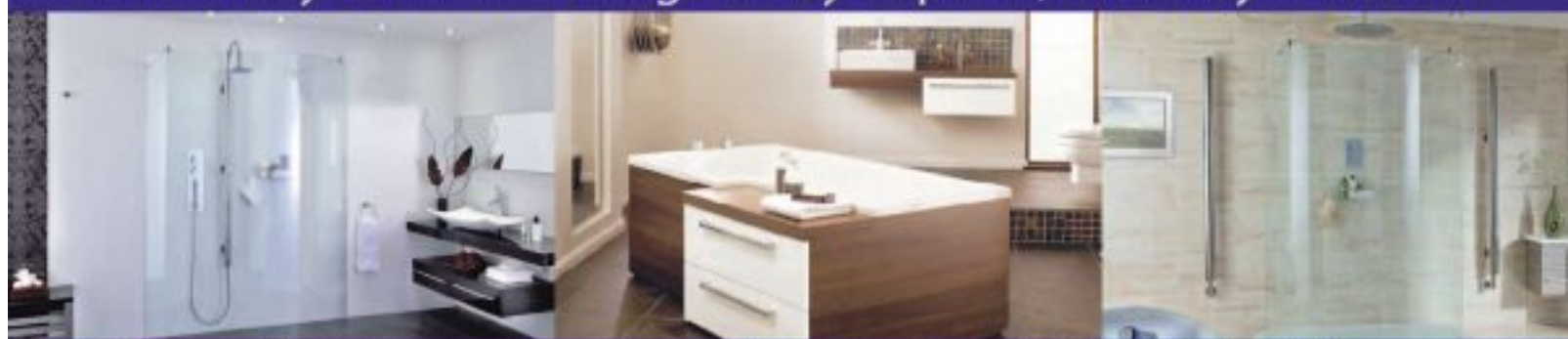
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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Golden station

Northampton Railway Station has turned its platform signs gold to celebrate the Rio Paralympic success of schoolgirl Ellie Robinson.

London Midland decorated the destination signs on all five platforms with a gold plastic coating yesterday to mark the achievement of the 15-year-old swimmer, who won gold and bronze medals.

## Delayed Delapre

The opening of Delapre Abbey and its new cafe has been postponed until next year. The £6.3 million facelift at the Abbey was due to finish in time for a November reopening but the borough council says there is now 'an issue with the installation of a gas main'.

## Return of fireworks

A free fireworks and bonfire display organised by Northampton Borough Council will be held at the Racecourse next month.

The event, on Saturday November 5 will open at 2pm with fairground rides.

The bonfire will be lit at 6.30pm, before the fireworks at 7pm.

## Man dies in crash

A Wellingborough man died following a collision on the A509 near Wollaston on Saturday morning. At around 5.30am, near to the junction with London Road, a black Mercedes, driven by the man - aged 29 - collided with a white Ford Transit, driven by a 48-year-old man from Finedon. The Mercedes driver died at the scene.

# 'Specsavers saved my life'

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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A 17-year-old girl's life was saved by an optometrist who spotted signs of a brain tumour during a regular eye check up.

Lauren Whittington, a sixth form student, had been experiencing migraines for several months, which regular opticians could not diagnose.

It was only during a visit to the Specsavers store in Abington Street, Northampton, with her mum that an abnormality was picked up behind her eye.

The optometrist Nicole Barber said: "As part of our regular eye tests, we take a digital image of the back of the eye using our state-of-the-art Fundus cameras. "I could see that there was a build up of pressure behind Lauren's eye, which immediately rang alarm bells."

Nicole referred Lauren directly to Northampton A&E for a closer inspection, where they took an ultrasound of her eyes and confirmed that something was causing the build-up but were unable to see what it was.

Lauren was then sent for an MRI scan at the Nottingham University Hospital Eye Clinic, where they realised that it was most probably a brain tumour.

"I'm glad my mum was with me," says Lauren.

"We went from having our eyes tested to me being admitted to Nottingham University Hospital."

"Being told I had a tumour growing in the back of my brain was frightening, I am just glad that it was diagnosed so quickly."

Within a few days, Lauren had an operation to remove the tumour, which proved successful.

After several months away from school, she returned in September to study Psychology, Business Studies and History at A-Level.

"The last couple of months have been the scariest in my life," Lauren added.



THANKFUL Lauren Whittington

"I am glad to be back at school so that I can work towards completing my education."

"I plan to take a gap year after my A-Levels so that I am fully recovered from my operation before I go to university, where I hope to continue studying psychology."

Lauren's case happened in June and was highlighted to coincide with National Eye Health Week, which took place from September 19-25.

Specsavers Northampton store director, Marinos Constantinides said:

"We're so relieved that Lauren's case was treated so successfully and she is now well on the way to a full recovery."

"All too often, people's symptoms are misdiagnosed and all it takes is a simple sight test to reveal a deeper problem."

"This just highlights the vital importance of having regular eye tests with highly trained opticians and specialist equipment."

"We recommend that as a minimum, you should have your eyes checked every two years."

"These not only provide a prescription check, but also help us monitor general eye health to track any changes and identify problems as quickly as possible."

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## Children's services split to be discussed

Plans to move the Northamptonshire County Council department that looks after vulnerable children to a mutual trust is to be discussed next week.

The first steps towards creating a standalone trust to deliver children's services in Northamptonshire will be on the agenda for the authority's cabinet on Tuesday.

The children's trust will deliver safeguarding and early help services to vulnerable children, young people and their families on behalf of the council, as well as



COUNTY HALL: The meeting is on Tuesday

education services such as school admissions.

The organisation will be owned by the council and commissioned to deliver services on its behalf. The council will retain the statutory accountability and will ultimately remain responsible for children's services.

Next week, the cabinet at the Conservative-led authority will be asked to approve the outline business case for the new trust, which sets out how it will operate and function.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Homeless man hurt

A homeless man, who was sleeping at a recreation ground in Towcester, was 'repeatedly kicked' in an unprovoked attack.

The incident happened in the park off Islington Road between 10pm and midnight on September 28.

The attack left the victim with bruises to his torso.

## Thieves at church

Police are appealing for witnesses following the theft of lead from the church roof in Weston by Welling.

The offence at St Mary the Virgin Church, The Green, occurred some time between 7pm on Sunday, September 25 and 9am on Monday, September 26.

## Nightclub attacker

An 18-year-old girl was grabbed by the throat by a man and pushed to the ground in an assault at NB's nightclub in Northampton.

The incident, which took place at the club in Bridge Street last Thursday, resulted in the girl hitting her head and sustaining facial injuries.

## Collision death

A man died in a collision near Hargrave village on Friday afternoon. The 51-year-old man was driving a white Citroen van along the B645 towards Chelveston when he was in collision with a grey Vauxhall Insignia travelling in the opposite direction. He died at the scene.



LOVED UP: Comedian Alan Carr (right) is to marry actor Paul Drayton

## Carr to marry after sweet proposal

Northampton-born comedian Alan Carr has announced he is engaged to his long-term actor boyfriend - after discovering the engagement ring in his dessert while on holiday.

The popular Chatty Man host said 'yes' to

Paul Drayton during the romantic getaway in Indonesia last week, and has already enlisted superstar pal Adele to perform at their wedding.

Explaining how the proposal took place, which he described as 'my idea of hell', he told

The Sun: "I went to the toilet and came out to eat dessert. And then I was like, 'Oh my God, a filling's come out, just my luck on holiday'."

"I pull it out and it's this ring and then the man on the organ starts singing 'Can You Feel the Love Tonight?'"

# Apprentice candidate: 'It's my time'

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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A businessman who will appear on the new series of BBC One's The Apprentice tonight has told Northants Herald & Post readers to 'expect the unexpected'.

IT project manager Karthik Nagesan, a 34-year-old from Kettering, will be introduced as one of the 18 candidates hoping to be hired by Lord Alan Sugar.

The series will see the hopefuls embark on a series of tasks to try to convince Lord Sugar to give them a £250,000 investment, although the Kettering man has got his eye on earning billions.

Speaking to the H&P ahead of the show, Karthik - whose journey you can follow in our live feed online - told how it was his wife who inspired him to apply for the show.

"I was always interested in business as well as the media world. (But) my wife saw my potential and motivated me to apply," he said. "She felt I would be very good on this show. My public speaking skills, attractive personality, optimistic outlook



READY: Candidate Karthik Nagesan

and self confidence have made me the perfect candidate.

"In fact, I was called in for the audition last year for the 2015 series but couldn't make it because I was off travelling in Australia at the time!"

Asked how it feels to be on the show, he said: "It felt like the time had come for me to step onto the world stage and make a mark. Whether a life in business or a career in media - if it is to be, it is up to me."

As for what viewers should expect from him, he added: "Expect the unexpected!"

"Expect me to be entertaining and educational. Being the right mix of both is what makes it exciting to watch me."



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"I can't really go anywhere without it," he adds. "In it are things like pens, diary, and notebooks, paperwork for the day, the sacrament to bring to the sick and housebound, and a rosary for my prayers."

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Heather Creates

Welcome to our regular feature where we invite people to tell us who we should follow on Twitter and why. Tweet us @NorthamptonUK and see the best ones here.

Heather Creates tweeted via her account @dowhatyouwantto: "Because #narcolepsy awareness is as important as local weather to me. A random outlook on life."

## BLOGGER OF THE WEEK

### Boundaries are a mess

### Councillor Danielle Stone

This week's blogger is Councillor Danielle Stone, the leader of the opposition Labour group on Northampton Borough Council



The government is redrawing the boundaries for our parliamentary constituencies so they can reduce the number of elected MPs from 650 to 600. This will save £12 million.

At the same time they are sending more and more unelected people to the House of Lords at a cost of £35 million! What price democracy?

We have a serious democratic deficit. The parliamentary boundaries are being drawn using out of date figures.

The figures used are those who had registered to vote by December 1, 2015.

This is undemocratic because MPs are the MPs for babies, toddlers, and teenagers as well as the MP for voting age populations.

It is the size of the population that should determine the boundaries. We are a growing town and need more not less representation.

The draft new parliamentary boundaries for Northamptonshire do not reflect natural

communities. They look like they have been devised by the pen of a bureaucrat.

For instance, Kings Heath and Northampton town centre have been put with Bozeat, Hackleton and Wollaston! This is crazy.

The proposed Northampton South constituency will cover three local authority areas Northampton, South Northants

and Wellingborough. This will make it difficult for an MP

having to deal with many councils. The proposed Daventry constituency will go

into South Leicestershire but Daventry town centre and Leicestershire don't have any community links. Finedon has much closer connections with Wellingborough than Kettering but it is still being moved to Kettering constituency.

It's all a bit of a mess. The Labour Group will be objecting the proposals and we will put forward alternative ones.

What do you think?

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## Your views



### Check out fume levels in other areas of the town

This week we are reporting that illegal levels of air pollution have been recorded at North Gate bus station in Northampton town centre (see opposite page). Here's how our readers reacted:

DAVID HUFFADINE-SMITH: But being open air, it could well be less than at the old Greyfriars bus

station, which never had proper fume extraction.

LOUISE SMITH: Terrible for anyone with lung conditions... they need to sort it. Wasn't it also high in Kingsthorpe too?

PETE THOMPSON: Diesel fumes are heavy, they can't make it up the hill thankfully but you may wanna measure Far Cotton.

### More safe places needed for homeless people

We published a police witness appeal on Facebook about a homeless man who was repeatedly kicked in an assault while he was sleeping in a park in Towcester. Here's how one of our readers reacted:

TRAM PHI: I wish there were more safe places for homeless people to stay. These happen too often and usually left unknown because they (homeless people) don't/can't really

call anyone for help. Well what can we really do? Offer some victim support and then send him back on the streets?

### East-west train needed

Last week a report from Oxford Economics stated that better east-west transport links are needed in Northampton. Here's how one reader reacted:

CAROL ROSBROOK: Oxford to Cambridge line was taken out in 1969. This has been one of the causes of the A14 being as it is. Northampton to Peterborough would be great as would have to go to Nuneaton before changing then to Northampton. Or Peterborough to London then change to Northampton. People in Cambridgeshire and Bedfordshire used to use the Cambridge to Bedford line to go to either for school, work, shopping or even theatre. Another reason A428 and A14 is always blocked or in a queue.

## Lunchtime Life

Everyday life's little curiosities snapped this week. Send yours to [news@hpnorthants.co.uk](mailto:news@hpnorthants.co.uk)



WESTON FAVELL: Shrek-themed car at Tesco petrol station



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# Bus station is 'air pollution hotspot'

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The bus station in Northampton town centre has been described as a 'pollution hotspot' which is affecting the health of 'hundreds of people who visit the area every day'.

The claim from the Northampton Green Party comes after the group revealed it has discovered illegal levels of nitrogen dioxide at North Gate station.

Scientific data released by the party recorded that between July 3 and August 8 nitrogen dioxide levels around the station were 25 per cent above the limit.

The figures, showing that levels reached an average of 53.24 micrograms per cubic metre (ug/m3), were recorded using air quality filters which were sent off to a laboratory for analysis. The limit is 40.

It comes as Northampton Borough Council's public consultation on air pollution enters its final month.

**ILLEGAL LEVELS:** Air pollution at North Gate has been recorded at 25 per cent above the limit



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But despite the consultation, the Green Party has criticised its 'lack of engagement'.

Secretary Steve Miller said: "It is fair to say that we have been underwhelmed by the scope of the consultation. The council appears to think that placing a few documents on the internet, and asking people to read them and complete a survey is a suitable way to deal with a public health emergency."

Cllr Alan Bottwood, cabinet

member for the environment, said the council is aware air pollution levels have sometimes breached national guidelines, but added: "We do not intend to declare North Gate as an Air Quality Management Area at present."

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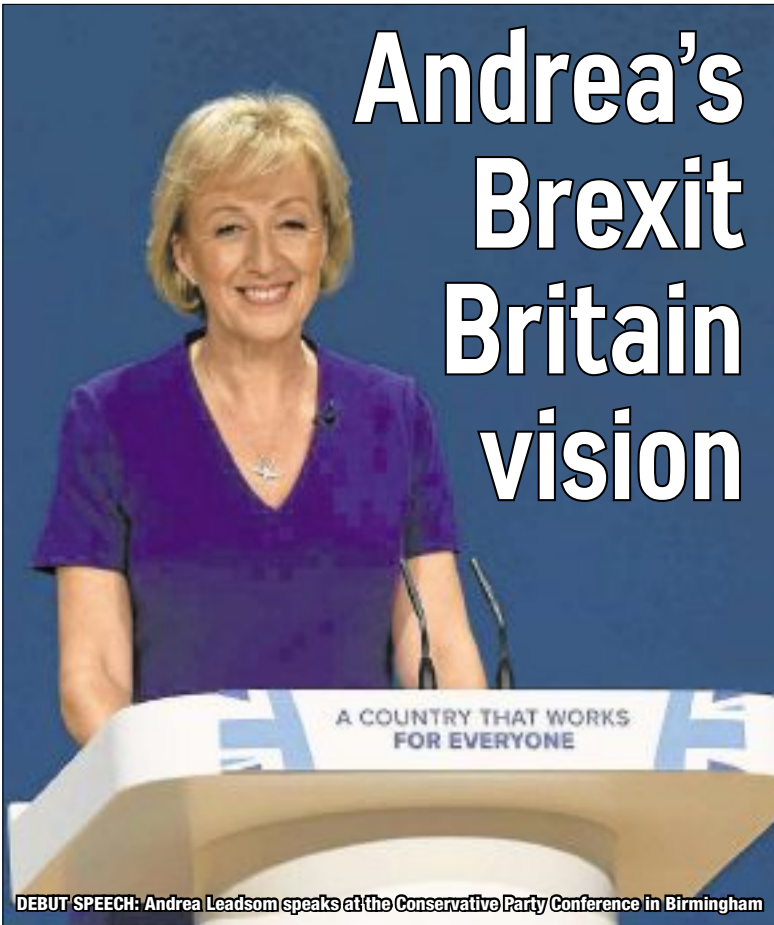
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# Andrea's Brexit Britain vision



DEBUT SPEECH: Andrea Leadsom speaks at the Conservative Party Conference in Birmingham

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**South Northants MP Andrea Leadsom set out her vision for post-Brexit Britain in her first speech since becoming the Environment Secretary at the Conservative Party Conference this week.**

The 53-year-old politician, who lives near Towcester, used her speech at the event in Birmingham on Monday to promote tourism and exports, following Prime Minister Theresa May's announcement the formal Brexit

negotiation process will begin next year.

Mrs Leadsom, a leading Brexiteer, cited several light-hearted examples - including how rural broadband was important to ensure everyone can play the mobile phone game Pokemon Go.

She also spoke about how tourists are 'even buying bottled English countryside air for up to £80 a go', and that Britain is 'selling coffee to Brazil, sparkling wine to France and naan bread to India'.

She said: "Our stunning

landscapes are famous right across the globe. They've inspired paintings, poems and pop songs.

"They attract millions of visitors, underpinning a rural tourism industry that is worth more than £30 billion a year."

Putting her light-hearted examples to one side, the MP also spoke of her 'optimism for our future', and suggested that Britain's youth should take up the fruit picking and farm labouring jobs - which currently depend heavily on EU migrants.

## The case of... high end fashion is in a world of its own



### Lawrence John

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(Earth spelled backwards), society is ruled by the Bizarro Code which states "Us do opposite of all Earthly things! Us hate beauty! Us love ugliness! Is big crime to make anything perfect on Bizarro World!"

You see where I am going with this?

I had what I can only describe as an Ab Fab moment this morning.

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I asked to speak to someone

in the press office and was told I could not be put through to someone unless I knew their name.

It was a moment where Catch 22 came to life. How could I know their name - I had never spoken to the press office in my life.

In the end I emailed them.

I will buy shoes which are made in Northampton. Yes, they cost more than those sold in the High Street.

I do not want to buy something which I feel is inferior to the shoes I can purchase in the factory shops of say Cheaney and Sons, Church's or Tricker's.

But I have to say I will not spend £3,620 kitting myself out like a male model from The Style Magazine.

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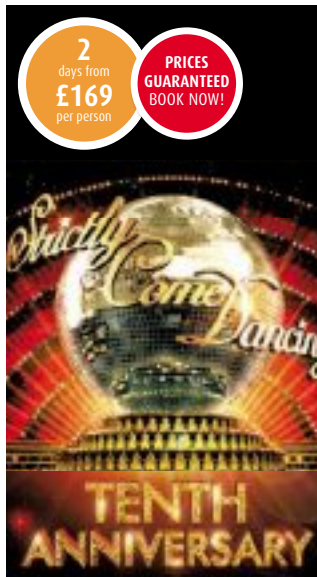
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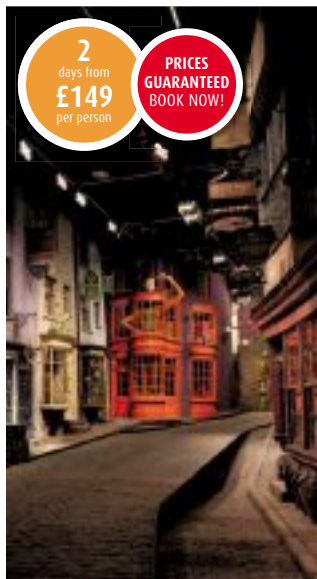
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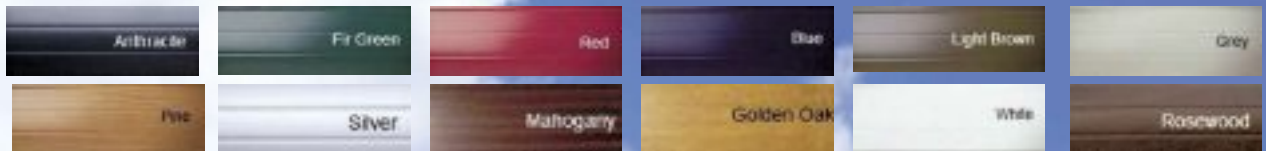
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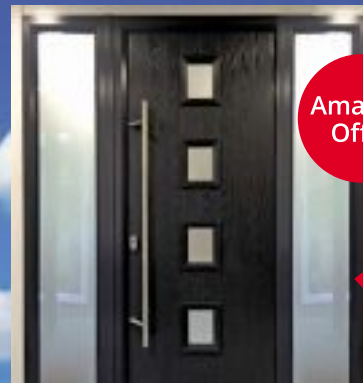
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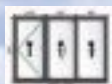
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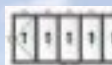
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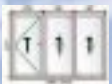
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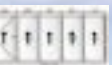
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# Silverstone taken

BY STEVE SCOLES  
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International charity Operation Smile is celebrating raising over £20,000 at their fundraising event the Silverstone Time Trial Challenge.

Meanwhile the 800 cyclists who took part on the day are celebrating winning prizes that money simply can't buy including a day's sailing with Britain's America's Cup challenger team, Land Rover BAR.

The new cycling event, held on Sunday October 2nd, saw 372 cyclists take on the 25 and 10-mile Time Trial Challenges, whilst hundreds of families and every day cyclists took to the track for the Family Lap and two-hour Leisure Ride around the circuit.

Josh Williams from Oswestry, Shropshire set the day's fastest time for the 25-mile TT in a time of 50 minutes and 38 seconds, whilst Rachel Whitwell from Halifax was the fastest female, finishing in 1 hour, 4 minutes and 8 seconds.

In the team 25 Mile Time Trial event MCCC Crankettes was the fastest female team with a time of 1 hour, 6 minutes, 22 seconds whilst Procyling Magazine



ON TRACK: Over £20,000 was raised for Operation Smile

took the male title with a time of 52 minutes and 52 seconds.

These teams will join Land Rover BAR at their base in Portsmouth for a day of fast-paced sailing with team principal and Olympic sailing legend, Sir Ben Ainslie. Jamie Wilkins from Procyling said: "We're extremely happy to have won and incredibly excited to go sailing with the Land Rover BAR team - thanks to them for putting up a great prize and for Operation Smile for running a great event."

In addition to the cycling, a retail village within the

famous Silverstone pit lane garages showcased the latest cycling products and interactive activities, whilst also providing the perfect spot for spectators to watch the competitors.

Karen Jaques, CEO of Operation Smile UK, added: "Raising over £20,000 at the first Silverstone Time Trial Challenge is fantastic. A cleft repair costs as little as £150 and surgery is life changing, therefore the amount raised will transform the lives of many individuals, families and entire communities. We would like to thank all those who have shown their support and sponsored us in

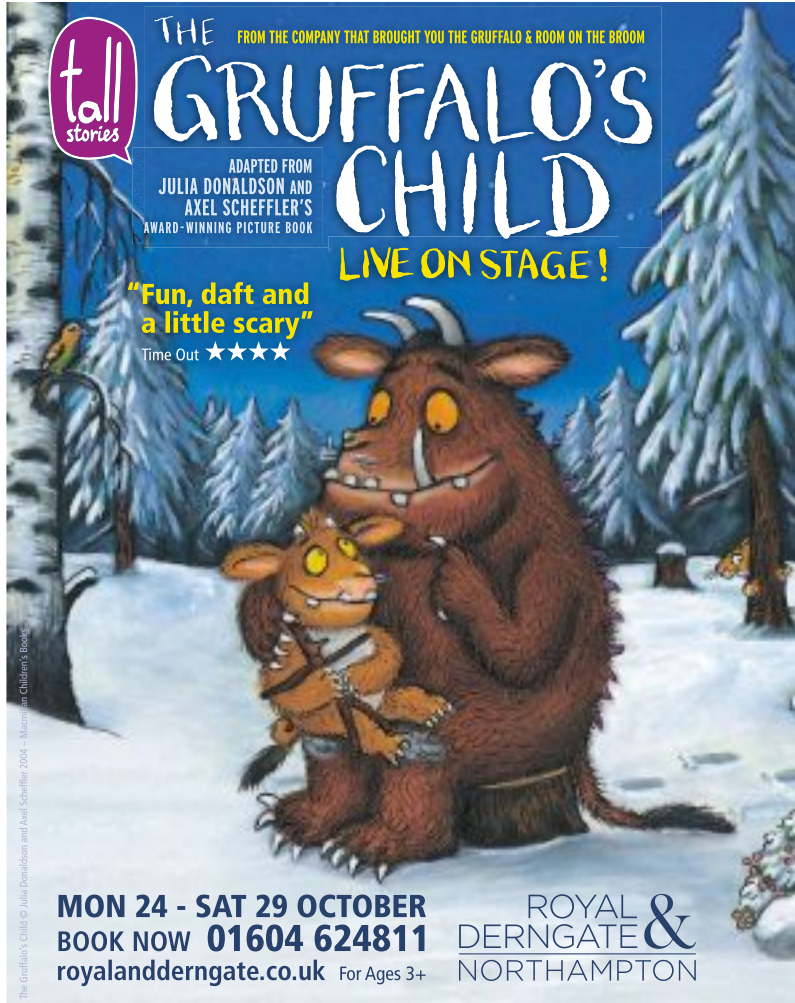
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H&P Editor Steve Scoles took part in the leisure ride, clocking up just over 12 minutes a lap.

He said: "I spoke to a lot of people who were just excited to be riding at the home of British motorsport. It was a great day with loads to do alongside the cycling. This is a great addition to the cycling calendar."



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Iestyn Pocock, 36, has put together 'Andy's Room' using the toy building blocks, which took him eight hours to create using around 500 pieces.

It features characters such as Buzz Lightyear and Woody, with details including wall-paper, hand-drawn posters and a bed.

The creation is on Lego Ideas - at <https://ideas.lego.com/projects/152313> - where it needs 10,000 votes to become a commercially available set.



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Visitor numbers have increased at Fermyn Woods following the introduction of an innovative wild play trail.

It features climbing frames balance beams, peeping posts sculptured butterfly seating and trails that contain living willow dens, stepping stones, climbing logs and informative signage.

The project was funded by Mick George Ltd which donated £23,000.

Hillary Monk, Senior Ranger at Fermyn Woods said: "The wild play trail has been very well received, with a definite shift in usage. Already, we have surpassed the number of annual visitors to that received in 2015. With the trail reaching the peripherals of the

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Jon Stump, Finance Director at Mick George Ltd commented: "We have partaken in a number of conservation projects in recent years, partnering wonderful charities such as 'The National Trust', RSPB and the 'Woodland Trust'. This initiative gave us the chance to join forces with Northamptonshire County Council and has been equally as successful in providing visitors and the local community with a superior experience."



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Following a recent visit by Officer Sally Trattle (aboard a state-of-the-art police van) the people with learning disabilities who attend the Trust's Day Centre at Cotton's Farmhouse in Cogenhoe thought it would be a good idea to meet her boss!

A great time was had by all and the Chief Constable hopes to return to join in the annual Christmas VIP December Sing-a-Long this December.

For more information contact Lena Davis, Caring & Sharing Trust, Cotton's Farmhouse, 28 Whiston Road, Cogenhoe, Northants, NN7 1NL. Telephone: 01604 891487. Photos by John Bishop.

# Career criminal is jailed for carrying out 101 burglaries

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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A man who vowed to commit a crime for every day that he had served in a previous prison sentence has been jailed for six years, after admitting to carrying out 101 burglaries across Northamptonshire.

Brian Plumb, 41, committed the offences across two months between June and August this year at properties in Northampton, Wellingborough and Kettering.

The offender, who is from Wellingborough, was finally arrested while committing an offence at a house in the town on August 30.

After hearing glass being smashed and seeing Plumb climb through a window, members of the public called police and surrounded the address while officers arrived.

Once on scene police entered the house and found Plumb



**BEHIND BARS:** Brian Plumb

hiding in the loft. He was arrested and initially charged with five counts of burglary.

However, through further investigative work and from visiting Plumb while he was in prison awaiting his next court date, officers were able to establish that he was responsible for many more offences committed over the summer.

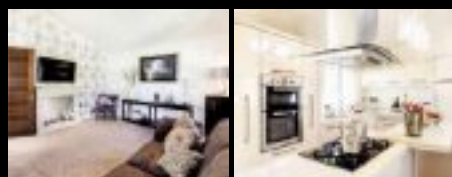
Plumb appeared at Northampton Crown Court on Wednesday, September 28 where he admitted committing 101 offences, including further incidents which had not been reported to police.

He was sentenced to six years and eight months in custody.

Detective Inspector Helen Knight, from CID, said: "Brian Plumb is a career criminal who vowed to commit an offence for every day that he had served in a previous prison sentence and it's clear he was serious about that vow. He has expressed remorse for his actions and sympathy for his victims. Unfortunately, none of the stolen property has been recovered.

"Sentencing him Judge Lucking QC stated she had never seen such an extensive list of admitted offences by an individual, she also praised the work of the officers who worked on the case, as well as the actions of members of the public who helped to capture Plumb."

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**Tammy Berrington, 25**  
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**Matthew Johnston, 23**

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## Historic building opens as eatery

A new retro bar restaurant in Northampton town centre which cost over half a million pounds to create has opened its doors to the public.

Zapato Lounge opened at the Welsh House building on Market Square, next to the Grosvenor Shopping Centre entrance, yesterday morning (Wednesday).

The cosy Loungers-branded retreat has cost investors over £500,000 to put together, and has created 20 new jobs for local people.

Priding itself on quirky decor, the eatery offers an all-day menu, with everything from breakfasts and burgers to tapas and pub specials.

BY UNCLE ERIC  
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**Northampton's musical community is coming together to raise funds for charity and celebrate the life of Steve Garofalo.**

Steve, who was a well known barber in Northampton as well as a longstanding musician playing with a number of Northampton bands, died of a heart attack and the tribute night at the Picturedrome will raise money for the British Heart Foundation.

His brother Pete said: "We are all just like a big family really. We have all been friends for years and years. My sons would go to Steve for haircuts. In many ways his barber shop was like a meeting place for musicians."

Steve played drums, saxophone, bass and guitar and played with Northampton legends Tom Hall and Uncle Eric, who wrote the following tribute:

*Stevie G. was a fine musician and friend whose untimely passing is a blow to all who*



**TRIBUTE:** October 21 at The Picturedrome, Northampton, a celebration of Steve Garofalo featuring the Real Live Owls, Hervey Street Boys, Uncle Eric & Soul Syndicate. Tickets will be £5 in advance or £7 on the door, all profits after expenses to go to British Heart Foundation. [www.stevegarofaloccelebration.eventbrite.co.uk/](http://www.stevegarofaloccelebration.eventbrite.co.uk/)

*knew him. I remember his mischievous grin (usually when rolling a fag) and his way of wobbling when laughing, like a demented Bhudda, when exercising his Python/Goon sense of humour. Oh, and he loved The Beatles.*

*I first met Steve in the Black Lion (St Giles Street) in the 80's when he was but a lad and part of the scene around the late Tom Hall. He and his bosom buddy and fine bass player, Steve New, were members of the 'Wacky Backy Boogie Band', who were*

*enjoying success locally as part a blues/R&B revival. I was already doing this stuff and, when The Wackies fell out, it was natural for the two lads and their older 'uncle' to form a band; so, with Stan Bowls and Dave Henderson, the 'Backstairs Creepers' was born.*

*I'd like to remember Steve with just a couple of the many wild and wonderful tales from those mid-eighties days when he was young and 'uncle' Eric was the band's 'carer'. We travelled abroad to Amsterdam and Brussels and, in those days, it was still an adventure to play in Europe. Whenever I've been abroad with a band, I've noted that as soon as we leave Blighty, and all these trips were undertaken via the ferry in an old Transit van, my fellow musicians turn into drink crazed madmen, hell bent on all kinds of mischief ('uncle' is driving the van).*

*So it was with The Steves of Zeebrugge. The customs man enquired as to our purpose and then watched bemused as Steve in the back of the van, clutching a beer bottle screamed, "Come and get me! I want to be arrested!", before being sat on by other*

*members of our motley crew. Later, on one of these jaunts, some bookings were cancelled and the band became stranded at the Hook of Holland with no money. The only way we could extricate ourselves for this situation was, with our remaining money, to send someone back across the channel to get us home. Steve volunteered and became a hero by going back on the ferry and meeting his sister at Harwich before returning to rescue us at The Hook. This took a couple of days and by the time Steve had dodged the customs, who were suspicious of his quick return, we'd got fixed up playing locally in pubs and so enjoyed a few beers before returning home.*

*Subsequently, I played with Steve many many times in all sorts of situations and I'd like to think there was a mutual respect between us. Outside music, I unexpectedly bumped into him in a pub in Liverpool, where he owned a flat, on the night in 2011 when my beloved Cobblers beat his beloved Liverpool and we had a few. Oh, and he cut my kids' hair! Goodnight, old pal.*

Eric.



By Sam Potter

**IF YOU suffer from low back pain and sciatica, you are one of over 20 million adults in the UK**

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**DRAWN:** Olive Sanderson has been wearing a suit made of curtains for a year

# Suit is coming off after year

BY OLIVE SANDERSON  
news@hpnorthants.co.uk

**An Artist has been wearing the same suit everyday for a year.**

Olive Sanderson is a performance artist who has been wearing a suit made of curtains since October 2015.

At 4pm 9th October 2016 the performance will end with Olive taking the suit off and putting on new clothes at MK Gallery, Milton Keynes.

The event can be viewed live at the gallery or on youtube [https://youtu.be/8\\_8JzuKE7oc](https://youtu.be/8_8JzuKE7oc) and the video will stay up after the event.

Mx Sanderson's work is on display until the 16th of October at the MK Gallery on a Thursday and Friday between noon and 8pm; then on a Saturday, between 11am and 8pm.

The Public View/Opening is Sunday the 9th October 3pm-6pm.

This is their first solo show and has works ranging from a video of Sanderson looking at themselves for the first time in 16 months to a diary from when they lived a 28 hour day for an entire month.

The show is also part of the Platform Graduate Award, ran by Contemporary Visual Arts Network South East, the winner will get a

£2,500 bursary and a years mentoring. Olive was selected for the award through their degree show at The University of Northampton.

To see more of their work go to [Void---self.Tumblr.com](http://Void---self.Tumblr.com)

On [instagram.com/ignorethecurtains](http://instagram.com/ignorethecurtains) they are showing the progression of the suit through the year with photos taken daily.

"I'm looking at ideas of the self, societal norms and consumerism. I work to understand these ideas through durational performances. One of these is called Suit."

I have to wear the same floral suit everyday for a year, it is a massive restriction on my choices because I can't wear any other clothes.

"It comes off when I go to sleep and shower, it mostly gets cleaned and patched up by hand."

"I'm opposing societal norms we're just used to following them and accepting them."

"It restricts my desires, my needs, to wear other clothes, I actually get jealous of other people's ability to choose what to wear sometimes, even though there is a great simplicity and freedom in this lack of choice."

■ As a result of a previous art project Olive Sanderson now refers to themselves in a gender neutral manner.

## County's best restaurants and pubs revealed

The finalists for the 'Restaurant of the Year', 'Booker Food Pub of the Year' and 'Spice Restaurant of the Year' in the Carlsberg Northants Food and Drink Awards have been revealed.

### Restaurant of the Year:

- Brasserie 23 at The Kings Head, Spratton
- Bread and Pullet, Northampton
- Kettering Park Hotel, Kettering
- Olive, Corby
- The Cedar Restaurant at Fawsley Hall, Fawsley
- The Palmichael, Burton Latimer

### Booker Food Pub of the Year:

- The Hopping Hare, Northampton
- The Plough @ Shutlanger, Shutlanger
- The Red Lion, East Haddon
- The Saracen's Head, Little Brington
- The Tollemache Arms, Harrington
- The Wheatsheaf Pub & Dining Room, Northampton

### Spice Restaurant of the Year:

- Lasaan, Northampton
  - Mem-Saab, Northampton
  - Royal Tandoori, Corby
  - Saffron, Northampton
  - Taste of Spice, Northampton
  - The Exotic Dining, Kettering
- The final takes place on November 3 at Northants County Cricket Club's County Ground.

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# PROPERTY TALK



>with NIGEL LEWIS

## David Niven's naughty home

DAVID Niven was the sort of Englishman that is fast disappearing these days. Not only was he debonair, dashing, witty, stylish and an all-round officer and gentleman but he also enjoyed a long and glittering career in Hollywood.

This includes both as a serious and comedy actor in nearly 100 movies films right up until his death in 1983.

These included most famously central roles in several Pink Panther films as well as 1961's *The Guns of Navarone*, as a spoof James Bond in *Casino Royale* in 1967 and as a love-struck airman in the Powell and Pressburger 1947 masterpiece *A Matter of Life and Death*.

His early academic career was not such a success. He attended Heatherdown Preparatory School in Berkshire from which he was expelled for playing too many pranks on masters and fellow pupils alike, and had to attend a crammer in order to pass the exams to enter the navy,



which he failed to do and subsequently attended Stowe school.

The crammer was at a vicarage in Penn Street, a small hamlet in Buckinghamshire where he was tutored along with a dozen other miscreant boys by the Reverend Arthur or 'Pa' Browning, the grandson of poet Robert Browning.

Niven lived there for two years and, in his best-selling

autobiography *The Moon's a Balloon*, he records his time at Flint House as "a very pleasant interlude".

Flint house is now for sale for £3.25 million. It has five bedrooms, three bathrooms, artificial grass tennis court, an indoor heated pool and a separate coach house with three bedrooms.

■ Contact Savills' Beaconsfield office on 01494 731950.

## Where it was important to be earnest



It is now 121 years since *The Importance of Being Earnest*, Oscar Wilde's most famous play, was first performed. And yet it remains popular to this day, including a revival in 2011 as well as being adapted for the cinema three times.

Its farcical plot focusses on the degrees to which young artistic Victorians would go to escape the era's suffocating social rules and was set among a group of louche friends living in a boho area of central London.

The play opens in the apartment of the play's central character, Algernon Moncrief and is where the satire first bites, ridiculing the rules of marriage proposal prevalent during the late 1890s.

The apartment was modelled by Wilde on a house at 14 Half

Moon Street, a white stucco-fronted block called Gannon Apartments where rich young single men boarded at the time, many of whom were friends with Wilde.

The street is named after the then rowdy Half Moon Pub around the corner where Wilde was often to be found, and the apartments were opposite The Fleming, another drinking hole popular with London's then artistic community.

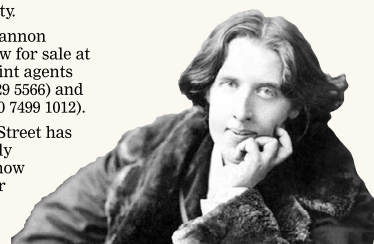
The whole of Gannon Apartments is now for sale at £14 million via joint agents Wetherell (020 7529 5566) and Knight Frank (020 7499 1012).

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## Make an offer they can't refuse!

THE *Godfather* is widely recognised as one of the greatest films ever made and propelled many of its key actors to international fame including Marlon Brando, Al Pacino, James Caan and Diane Keaton.

The story of a New York post-war crime family's bloody business affairs, based on a novel by Mario Puzo, made for gripping viewing and is also arguably one of director Francis Ford Coppola's best films.

One of the most famous scenes is when film studio chief Jack Woltz wakes up in his villa to find his prize stallion's severed head in the bed next to him. In the film's plot it was placed there by the Corleone family to persuade Woltz to give a godson of Vito, the eponymous godfather, a film role.

The real villa is The Beverley House in Beverley Hills, Los Angeles, which as well as its connections to *The Godfather* comes with many other famous connections.

It was home to William



Randolph Hearst, the founder of today's Hearst media empire which in the UK publishes *Cosmopolitan* magazine, and also featured in 1992 film *The Bodyguard* starring Kevin Costner and Whitney Houston. The huge villa is also where John F Kennedy and his bride Jacqueline honeymooned in 1953.

Such starry connections and location come at a price. The estate is currently for sale for

\$195 million, although you get a lot for your money.

It was designed by the architect of the Hoover Dam, has 19 bedrooms and suites, a huge billiard room, large formal gardens, an almost Olympic size swimming pool, floodlit tennis court, two cinemas, a terrace that can accommodate 400 for dinner and an overall footprint of 50,000 sq ft.

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## Not your usual Hollywood film set, Mr Spielberg...?

WHERE better to set a science fiction film featuring a dystopian nightmare of global warming, energy supply collapse and gaming escapism than in one of the UK's inner cities?

That's the plan film director Stephen Spielberg clearly has as he is currently filming Ready Player One, a film based on the eponymous 2011 sci-fi novel by Ernest Cline, in an up-and-coming area of the West Midlands.

The film is set in the year 2044 in which an impoverished global population distracts itself from the growing economic and environmental disaster around it by living in a virtual world.

The film, which is to star Rona Morison, Ben Mendelsohn, Simon Pegg, Tye Sheridan and Mark Rylance, is due out in 2018.

During August Spielberg and the Ready Player One crew were spotted filming in Digbeth, one of Birmingham's up-and-coming



inner city neighbourhoods, wearing his signature pastel blue linen shirt and panama hat.

It's a shot in the arm for the area, which is already a fashionable quarter in the city, although it's still in the throes of morphing from a former Victorian industrial quarter into a design district full of creative agencies, architects and hipster beards.

Developers have twigged this trend and the most recent example is St Anne's Court, a 170

apartment development under way on Lombard Street near the Bull Ring.

When completed, many of the apartments will have direct views over the city's central skyline and the development is just two blocks away from Floodgate Street, where Spielberg has been spotted filming.

■ Apartments start at £159,000 via investment specialist Property Frontiers (01865 202 700).

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Such amazing facilities have attracted big names from the world of equestrian sports including event rider Kate Tarrant, six-time winner of



Badminton Horse Trials Lucinda Green and 2016 Olympic riders Pippa Funnell and Camilla Kruger, among many others.

Littleton Manor has also hosted Great Britain's Elite Endurance Squad and the 2012 Olympic Eventing team. The property is located near Reigate some 23 miles from London.

"Its location, in rural Surrey but close to London and the international airports of Gatwick and Heathrow, make it the ideal place to live and train," says Louise Harrison of Savills Equestrian.

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**Spinney Hill £240,000****NO CHAIN**

01604 715000



A well presented three bedroom detached family home with no onward chain. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room and kitchen to the ground floor. Upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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**Hunsbury Meadows £250,000****NEW PRICE**

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**Ecton Brook £99,995****NEW**

01604 784990



A two bedroom first floor flat offered for sale with no onward chain. The accommodation comprises; 16'11 x 9'9ft lounge/dining room, kitchen, bathroom and two double bedrooms. Windows are double glazed where specified.

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**Spinney Hill £254,995**

01604 715000



Jackson Grundy are delighted to market this extended three bed semi detached family home in the sought after Spinney Hill area. Benefits include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator central heating, enclosed front and rear gardens and a single garage. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, family room and open plan extended kitchen/dining room. Upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. EPC: D



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**Kingsthorpe £299,995****NEW PRICE**

01604 722197



An extended four bedroom detached property comprising hall, WC, study, lounge, kitchen/diner, utility and integral garage. The first floor boasts a family bathroom, master bedroom with ensuite, two further double bedrooms and a slightly smaller fourth bedroom. Outside is a well enclosed rear garden and off road parking to the front. Benefits uPVC double glazing (where specified) and gas radiator heating.

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**Standens Barn £128,000****NEW**

01604 784990



Offered for sale with no onward chain and situated in the popular location of Standens Barn is this two bedroom mid terrace property. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs w/c, lounge/diner, kitchen, conservatory, two bedrooms, bathroom and separate w/c. The property is in need of some modernisation and the heating is via warm air.

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**Dragonfly Meadows £280,000**

01604 633122



A modern four bedroom family home offered to the market with no onward chain. Entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room and WC. To the first floor is four bedrooms, bedroom one benefitting from an ensuite with double shower. To the rear of the property is a lawned area with patio and gated rear access leading to garage.

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**Duston £179,995****NEW**

01604 755757



A two bedroom semi detached bungalow, situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location. Comprises lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and shower room. Externally block paved parking for two cars and driveway allowing further parking, leading to a single garage. The garden to the rear is easy to maintain and mainly laid to gravel with paving areas and raised borders. Door to brick built outbuilding and garage.

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**Buckingham Fields £208,500****NEW**

01604 633122



An immaculate three bedroom home built by 'David Wilson' and boasting many improvements by the current owner. Features include refitted kitchen, refitted shower-room, cul-de-sac location, fitted wardrobes in bedroom one and NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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**Danefield £189,000****NEW**

01604 633122



An immaculate three bedroom house with a conservatory, set in a cul-de-sac location. Features boast gas radiator heating, double glazed windows and doors, fitted kitchen, refitted bathroom suite, well tended gardens, ample off road parking. Early viewing is advised.

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**Kingsthorpe OIRO £209,995****NEW PRICE**

01604 722197



A well presented two bedroom semi detached bungalow situated on a corner plot. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, bedroom two, refitted bathroom, kitchen, conservatory. To the first floor is the master bedroom. Outside is off road parking and access to the garage, the rear garden is nicely enclosed. Benefits from uPVC double glazed windows and doors (where specified) and gas radiator heating.

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**Duston £229,995****NEW**

01604 755757



A deceptively spacious extended three bedroom semi detached house comprising entrance porch, hall, lounge/dining room opening through to a family room, modern fitted kitchen with utility area off, three bedrooms and shower room. Additional benefits include gas radiator heating and replacement double glazing. Outside there is a front garden with ample off road parking, a single garage and an enclosed rear garden with lawn and block paved patio.

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**Weston Favell Village £217,500****NEW**

01604 231111



This well presented family home enjoys an elevated position with generous gardens to front and rear. Comprises porch, hall, a living room, kitchen breakfast room, dining room and WC, three first floor bedrooms and bathroom. Benefits include heating, double glazing and a brick outbuilding.

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**Woodfields £155,000**

01604 784990



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**Long Buckby £250,000****NO CHAIN**

01327 842093



A rarely available three bedroom detached bungalow in a quiet cul-de-sac just a short walk from the many village amenities. It has a hall, cloakroom, large lounge, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. There is a four car drive, garage and workshop plus a lovely established garden. It has UPVC double glazing (where specified), radiator heating, requires some updating and has no upward chain.

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**Boothville £355,000**

01604 494600



A deceptive four bedroom semi detached dormer bungalow which has been heavily extended creating a well proportioned family home. The property boasts well presented interiors, four double bedrooms, en suite, private gardens, large driveway and detached garage.

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**Delapre £215,000**

01604 633122



A wonderful opportunity to purchase this three bedroom semi-detached home. The home offers a lounge and kitchen/dining room to the ground floor, with three bedrooms and a family bathroom to the first floor. The home also benefits from UPVC double glazed windows and gas central heating. Outside offers a generous front garden which is gravelled, a garden to the rear and a double garage.

**Kingsley £199,995**

01604 715000



A four bedroom, double bay fronted semi detached family home with no onward chain and benefits from UPVC double glazing (where specified), gas radiator heating, off road parking and enclosed rear garden. The accommodation comprises of: entrance porch, lounge and kitchen/dining room to the ground floor. Upstairs are three bedrooms, family bathroom, WC and stairs leading to bedroom four.

**Whitehills £249,999**

01604 722197



A very well presented three bedroom detached bungalow. Entrance hall, spacious lounge, kitchen, master bedroom, shower room, two further bedrooms and conservatory. Outside you have off road parking, garage with power and lighting, a courtyard rear garden, and beautifully kept front and side gardens enclosed via a hedgerow.

**Moulton £299,995**

01604 494600



Centrally located in Moulton village on a small select development built by Clayson Country Homes is this well presented three detached family home boasting, separate reception rooms, three double bedrooms, en suite to master, landscaped rear garden, off road parking and garage. Early viewing is highly advised to avoid disappointment.

**Long Buckby £205,000**

01327 842093



A semi-detached two bedroom bungalow situated in a quite cul-de-sac. This smart, well presented property has been extended and improved to include replacement UPVC double glazed windows, radiator heating, refitted kitchen and bathroom plus a driveway for three vehicles and a landscaped rear garden. It has a large lounge, kitchen and utility room, two double bedrooms and a bathroom.

**Duston £174,995**

01604 755757



A semi detached property within a quite cul-de-sac location. Accommodation comprises entrance porch, sitting room, kitchen / dining room, first floor landing, two bedrooms and family bathroom. Gardens to the front, side and rear, driveway and off road parking. Gas radiator heating. UPVC double glazing. No upper chain.

**Ecton Brook £204,995**

01604 784990



A three bedroom detached property with a conservatory and a south facing rear garden. Entrance hall, WC, lounge, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms and a bathroom. Windows and doors are double glazed where specified and the heating is via gas radiators. Outside there are front and rear gardens, a driveway providing off road parking and a single garage.

**Abington Vale £299,950**

01604 231111



A well presented three (formerly four) bedroom detached property situated in abington vale, close to Abington Park and local well regarded schools. The property comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and refitted bathroom. Outside are gardens to the front and rear in addition to a detached garage.





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**Irchester** £235,000

\* Extended Semi Detached Bungalow \* Three Bedrooms \* Popular Village Location \* En Suite \* Access to A45 and Commuter Routes \* Conservatory \* Well Presented Throughout \* Garage & Off Road Parking \* Awaiting EPC



**Wellingborough** £279,995

\* Extended Detached House \* Five Bedrooms \* Sought-After 'Glenesley' Area \* Cul-De-Sac Location \* Garage & Off Road Parking \* Awaiting EPC



**Higham Ferrers** £154,950

\* Semi Detached House \* Two Bedrooms \* Garage & Off Road Parking \* Conservatory \* Cul-De-Sac \* Popular Location \* No Upward Chain \* EPC Rating: C



**Wellingborough** £339,950

\* Detached House \* Four Double Bedrooms \* 'Glenesley' Area \* Sought-After Cul-De-Sac \* En Suite \* Utility \* Off Road Parking \* Recently Redecorated \* Awaiting EPC



**Wellingborough** £184,995

\* Detached Bungalow \* Two Bedroom \* Popular 'Glenesley' Area \* Garage & Driveway \* Good Internal Order Throughout \* Recently Refitted Kitchen & Bathroom \* EPC Rating: E



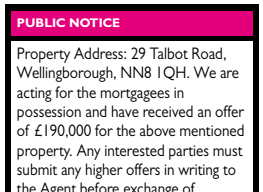
**Wilby** £425,000

\* Four Double Bedrooms \* Extended Detached Bungalow \* Double Garage & Off Road Parking \* Conservatory \* En Suite \* Popular Village Location \* Excellent Internal Order \* Views Over Countryside \* EPC Rating: D



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

\* Four Bedrooms \* Three Storey Town House \* No Upper Chain \* Close To Train Station \* En Suite \* Off Road Parking \* EPC Rating: C



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Property Address: 29 Talbot Road, Wellingborough, NN8 1QH. We are acting for the mortgagees in possession and have received an offer of £190,000 for the above mentioned property. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers in writing to the Agent before exchange of contracts takes place. Agents Name: Marshall & Cross, Agents Address: 15 Silver St, Wellingborough, NN8 1BQ.

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Thursday, October 6, 2016

## Grease is the word

See inside



See this week's film listings ...



Director launches theatre company



Jimmy Osmond sings Andy's hits



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## WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP

# Centre stage for new group. . . Warts and All

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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A new theatre company has lifted the curtains to aspiring actors and directors at its Grade II listed home this week.

Warts and All Theatre launched its 'Young Actors' and 'The Collective' groups at Delapre Abbey - which is currently undergoing a £6.3 million restoration project.

Led by acclaimed director Christopher Elmer-Gorry, the youth programmes offer weekly workshops to young people aged eight to 21, developing their skills in creating and presenting theatre.

The company is also running 'The Collective' - a group for adults aged 18 and over, who will be guided by mentors to create new work in their ambitions to become actors, writers, designers or directors.

All the classes - costing between £55 and £65 a term, with each session lasting up to two hours - take place in rooms at the 900-year-old house and gardens, which is due to open to the public in February.

Christopher, who recently directed plays at London's Almeida Theatre, said: "It's not as simple as just putting on good shows."

"We need to build a



OPEN DOOR: Christopher Elmer-Gorry (inset) is giving people the chance to join his growing class of successful theatre artists

dialogue with our community - the Young Actors groups and The Collective are stage one of this vision.

"These groups won't be an 'add on' to the company's main programme. They are at the core. I believe we have

to invest in the artists of today (at every age and experience level) to ensure you have an audience for tomorrow."

To find out more about the workshops, visit [www.wartsandalltheatre.co.uk](http://www.wartsandalltheatre.co.uk)



## County's arts cinema listings this week

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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Here are the listings for Northamptonshire arts cinemas this week:

### Errol Flynn Filmhouse

■ Bridget Jones's Baby

Today

■ Bad Moms

Tomorrow and Tuesday

■ War Dogs (pictured)

Based on the true story of two young men, David Packouz and Efraim Diveroli, who won a \$300 million contract from the Pentagon to arm America's allies in Afghanistan.

Saturday and Monday

■ El Sur

Sunday

■ Closet Monster

Monday

### My Scientology Movie

Tuesday and Wednesday

To book tickets call the box office on 01604 624811.

### Lings Forum

■ Bridget Jones's Baby

Today

■ Asterix & Obelix: Mansion of the Gods  
In order to wipe out the Gaulish village by any means necessary, Caesar plans to absorb the villagers into Roman culture by having an estate built next to the village to start a new Roman colony.

Tomorrow-Monday

■ Chick Lit

Tomorrow-Tuesday

■ Julieta

Wednesday

To book tickets call the box office on 01604 837300.



## WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP

### Jimmy Osmond gig in tribute to Andy Williams

Jimmy Osmond, who is this year celebrating his 50th anniversary in the music business, returns to the UK this autumn with a brand new live show, A Tribute to Andy Williams – Moon River and Me.

Packed with award-winning music, nostalgic footage and Jimmy's own personal memories of Andy, the show comes to Northampton's Royal & Derngate on Monday, October 10.

Jimmy, who made his performance debut at the age of three on television's Andy Williams Show, will perform many of the romantic songs that made the legendary singer so popular including Music to Watch Girls By, Happy Heart, Can't Take My Eyes Off You, Almost There, May Each Day, Days of Wine and Roses and of course, the song that was to become his theme, Moon River.

The youngest member of the world-famous Osmond family is joined by The Moon River Band with special guest stars Charlie Green and Emily Penny, and, naturally, a show with an Osmond would not be complete without some of the chart-topping hits that made Jimmy and his brothers famous.

With an array of platinum and gold discs to his credit, Jimmy's multi-faceted career has seen him perform in theatre including the West End production of Grease, produce television specials such as The Osmonds' 50th Anniversary for PBS and write and illustrate the award-winning children's book Awesome Possum Family Band.

For tickets, from £28.50 to £31, call 01604 624811 or visit [royalandderngate.co.uk](http://royalandderngate.co.uk).



## Have a rock 'n' rollin' night out with Grease

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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Hot on the heels of last year's hugely successful Sister Act, Northampton Musical Theatre Company is back with the electrifyin' cult classic, Grease.

The original American high school musical, Grease is packed with all the hit songs from the blockbuster 1978 film, including You're the One That I Want, Summer Nights, Hopelessly Devoted to You, Greased Lightnin' and many more.

Audiences are in for a rock 'n' rollin', hand-jivin' night

out as they enjoy the exploits of the T-Birds and the Pink Ladies, and find out whether new girl Sandy and bad boy Danny can overcome their differences and rekindle their summer romance.

With a special 'dress up' night on Friday, October 28 audiences are invited to dust off their leather jackets and fifties frocks, and join in the fun.

Established 118 years ago, Northampton Musical Theatre Company, previously

known as Northampton Amateur Operatic Company, are ten time winners of the 'Best Musical' Award from the East Midlands region of the National Operatic and Dramatic Association.

They bring Grease to Royal & Derngate from Tuesday, October 25 to Saturday, October 29.

For tickets, priced from £10 to £22, call 01604 624811 or visit [royalandderngate.co.uk](http://royalandderngate.co.uk).

**Find out what's on**  
The best things to do in your spare time can be found at [www.northampton-news-hp.co.uk](http://www.northampton-news-hp.co.uk)

## Get up, dance, and soak it up in Sponge

Turned On Its Head returns with Sponge, a new family dance show coming to The Core at Corby Cube on Monday, October 10 as part of an extensive national tour.

Set to a 1970s-influenced

score, Sponge is about highlighting children's ability to soak information up like a sponge.

Turned On Its Head is made up of dancers Liz Clarke and Oksana Tyminksa, who brought the

successful Shiny to The Core.

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### SATURDAY

#### Tom Jones tribute night at Northampton hotel

My, my, my, Delilah! What a night is in store for you at the Westone Manor Hotel. With a night dedicated to the one and only Sir Tom Jones. The hotel's talented guest has charisma and vocals so a-kin to Tom Jones himself, it's apparently 'unbelievable'. See for yourself and book tickets at £14 each. Call 01604 739955 to book.

#### Rushden 1940s' Home Front wartime weekend

Today and tomorrow the Rushden Historic Transport Society (RHTS) journeys back to wartime England, recreating the sights and sounds of Home Front life. Time travel will be assisted by a steam-train passenger service, steam-driven road and rail vehicles, 1940s' civilian and military vehicles, living history displays, archive film shows, the Law at War and more. On both days, The Blitz Sisters will provide a musical backdrop for the era, playing all your wartime favourites, and, on Sunday, will be joined by the Mainline Big Band. There will also be a 5-Star Rated buffet car. Entry £2 for adults. Visit [www.rhts.co.uk](http://www.rhts.co.uk) for more information.



An office environment sometimes isn't conducive to a great diet – all around you people seem to be bringing in treats like biscuits and cake.

If you fear that your lunchtime meals are proving less healthy than a visit to the Bake Off tent, then there is actually a way around it while still eating a delicious hot meal.

For £4 and under there are a series of great ready meals at M&S which I've recently discovered.

My go to dish from the store's 'Balanced For You' range is the Courgette and Broccoli spaghetti with creamy pesto sauce and chicken, coming in at just under five minutes in the microwave and less than 300 calories.

With its creamy sauce and tender chicken, it's surprising to find it also makes up two of your five a day.

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# New Q5 grows and sheds weight

By: David Whinyates



DESIGNERS and engineers at Audi have achieved the seemingly impossible in the latest version of the company's top-selling SUV.

For the all-new Q5 - revealed at the Paris Motor Show - weighs in at up to 90kg lighter than its predecessor despite being longer and wider with more room both inside and in the boot.

At 4.66 metres long, 1.89 metres wide and 1.66 metres tall with a

2.82-metre wheelbase the new Q5 has grown in nearly all of its dimensions.

Styling is evolutionary rather than revolutionary, but while the looks are unmistakably Audi, the latest Q5 has, in fact, been reworked from the ground up.

Driver assistance systems - some of them optional - are comprehensive and, according to Audi represent a next step

towards piloted driving. They are bundled into three driver assistance packages - Tour, Parking and Parking Advanced.

The predictive efficiency assistant helps the driver save fuel by specific information on the car's surroundings. Adaptive cruise control (ACC) including traffic jam assist can handle some of the steering work in slow-moving traffic.

Active lane assist makes it easier to stay in lane while distance warning alerts the driver when the gap to another vehicle drops below a safe distance.

Cross traffic assist rear, an exit warning system, collision avoidance assist and turn assist are other new safety features while Audi pre-sense city is a standard feature which warns of pedestrians and vehicles and may initiate automatic emergency braking. Park assist, camera-based recognition of traffic signs and hill descent assist round out the available features.

When it arrives in the UK next Spring the new Q5 will be available with a powerful 2.0 TDI diesel engine producing 190PS. Soon after the launch a revised 2.0 TFSI petrol engine will also be available followed later by an intensively revised 3.0 TDI.

The drivetrain - including the six-speed manual transmission and seven-speed S-tronic box - have been extensively redeveloped and the Q5's auto transmissions now integrate a fuel-saving freewheel function.

The latest quattro all wheel drive system comes with what the company calls ultra-technology which disengages the rear-axle drive whenever it is not needed and, if necessary, proactively re-engages it. The new concept boosts efficiency without reducing traction or driving dynamics, says the company.

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## SEAT Alhambra FR-Line 2.0 TDi By: Ian Johnson

SOME years ago the MPV - or people mover - was the 'wow factor' on wheels.

They sold like hot cakes and were the perfect answer to family transport.

But trends changed and the SUV, compact SUV and lifestyle estate carved their slices from the MPV's popularity - so you might be forgiven for thinking that the people mover may have taken a back seat in terms of mass appeal.

Understandable really because one or two of the early ones did have the driving habits of an angry minibus but these days the MPV is going strong with some vibrant choices out there that prove that this concept is still going places.

One such is the SEAT Alhambra, a product of the Spanish arm of the giant Volkswagen Audi Group which means that there is a massive bonus in terms of quality of construction, design and materials.

Alhambra is not a new name in MPVs from SEAT but in its latest form, it is refined to a high degree to give a bang up to date take on what the customer wants from a vehicle of this type.

The model I drove, the FR-line 2.0 TDi 184ps with a six-speed DSG-auto transmission is at the upper end of the Alhambra range and gives an insight on just what a modern MPV should be.

For instance, its top speed capability of 134mph and 0-62mph dash of

8.9 seconds is enough to satisfy anyone who wants that bit more out of their people mover without resorting to out and out sporty choices.

It offers a super-smooth drive with surprisingly agile handling for a people mover and proved an ideal choice for both town driving and long distance trips.

The FR-Line trim is the top option for Alhambra and the black Alcantara upholstery certainly enhanced what is a very well specified car as standard.

Apart from a number of other trim features the FR Line treatment offers 18-inch alloy wheels which certainly make this model stand out from the crowd.

Wide sliding rear doors make easy access into the rear and it possible lower rows two and three flat into the floor, leaving a van-like load space.

And if you want to gild the lily there is a raft of options available one of which, the £155 Full Link option includes compatibility with Mirror Link, Apple CarPlay and Android Auto and should be considered a must for this thoroughly modern people carrier.

### FAST FACTS

**SEAT Alhambra FR-Line 2.0 TDi auto**

**Price:** £36,130

**Mechanical:** 184ps, 1,968cc, 4cyl diesel engine driving front wheels via 6-speed automatic gearbox

**Max speed:** 134mph

**0-62mph:** 8.9 seconds

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## HOT HYUNDAI BREAKS COVER BY: CHRIS RUSSON



HYUNDAI is planning a hot hatch with performance to rival the likes of the Audi RS and even BMW's mighty M machines. Dressed to thrill, the Hyundai RN30 was revealed at the Paris Motor Show in concept form by Albert Biermann – the Korean company's newly-appointed head of high performance cars. Based on the New Generation Hyundai i30, the RN30 was born as a racing machine, and is the first example Hyundai's new range of N sports models announced last year.

Powered by a 2.0-litre turbo boosted to 380 horsepower the RN30 is in the same league as the likes of Ford's Focus RS and the BMW M2. "The RN30 embodies the concept of a strong, high-performance car that brings dynamic, sporty driving," says Albert Biermann, who joined Hyundai after working for BMW's M division. "Soon to evolve into our first N model, the RN30 is inspired by our passion to provide a high-performance car that everybody can enjoy effortlessly." With huge spoilers and aerodynamic body kit, the RN30 concept has already undergone testing at the legendary Nurburgring in Germany and Mr Biermann said that an i30N was already slated for development as a production car and due for release next year. When developing the RN30, Hyundai's designers and engineers took a new approach to reducing weight and lowering the center of gravity. Instead of using carbon fibre reinforced polymer (CFRP) common to most high-performance cars, Hyundai broke the mould with all-new high-performance plastic materials, developed in collaboration with leading global chemical company BASF. The lightweight body is designed to boost handling and acceleration while inside the interior was stripped down and the seats pushed back and lowered to achieve a low centre of gravity, ideal for performance driving. The RN30 has been developed at Hyundai Kia's research and development centre in Namyang in Korea where Mr Biermann is based.

## RIO READY TO RUMBLE

BY: CHRIS RUSSON

RIO has dominated 2016 and Kia is keeping the carnival feel alive with a spectacular reveal of its latest hatchback at the Paris Motor Show. The new model – the fourth generation of the Korean company's global top seller – will be on the road early next year. It's bigger than before, comes with Kia's latest design inside and out and will be available only as a five door model. Kia claims the new Rio offers more space inside than any other compact hatch on the market and boot space is 325 litres. It's features full connectivity including Apple CarPlay and Android Auto and will be the first in its segment to come with automatic emergency braking complete with pedestrian recognition as standard – which should help keep insurance costs down. The new Rio will be available with a variety of engines including Kia's new 1.0-litre turbo



petrol and a 1.4-litre. Giving the car its world premiere at Paris, Kia's European boss Michael Cole said that the Rio had become a dominant feature of the brand's line up and stressed that the marque was on course to reach half a million sales in Europe by 2018. "Since we launched the third generation Rio in 2011 it has become our bestselling car globally," said Mr Cole. Kia also showed off a new look Soul and Carens MPV at the Paris show as well as its all-new Niro hybrid which went on sale in the UK only a few weeks ago.

## SUZUKI BRINGS BACK IGNIS BY: DAVID WHINYATES



SUZUKI has revived its Ignis badge with a new and technically advanced small off-roader which has been unveiled at the Paris Motor Show ahead of its launch in Europe next January.

Competing in the compact SUV segment, it may be small but it comes with four wheel drive, a host of electronic safety aids and a new hybrid drive system.

A 1.2 litre petrol engine combines with what the company calls a mild hybrid system which

features an integrated power generator and electric motor and a lithium-ion battery pack.

There will be a choice of five speed manual or automated transmissions linked to Suzuki's viscous coupling four-wheel drive system which automatically distributes drive torque to the front and rear wheels when it detects the front wheel losing its grip of the road.

Amongst the new Ignis' advanced safety features are stereo cameras which function like human eyes, detecting lane markings as well as objects ahead and their distance away. Based on the size and shape of the object, the cameras can determine whether it is a pedestrian or another vehicle.

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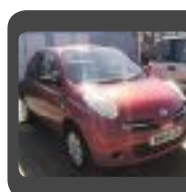
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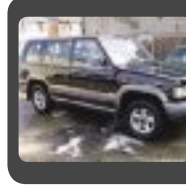
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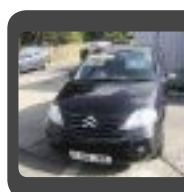
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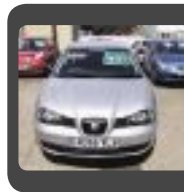
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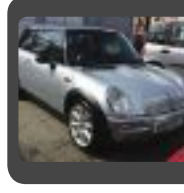
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## RENAULT'S ELECTRIC CHARGE

BY: DAVID WHINYATES

EVERYDAY all-electric motoring has come one step closer to reality with the unveiling of a new battery powered model which is theoretically capable of being driven from the North of England to London on a single charge.

The latest Renault ZOE, unveiled at the Paris Motor Show, has the longest range of any mainstream electric vehicle at 250 miles (400km) – twice the distance delivered by the model at the time of its original launch.

In real-world driving, however, Renault estimates that the Zoe fitted with the new Z.E. 40 battery has a range of 186 miles (300km) in urban or suburban areas. Still pretty impressive and a major step forward for all-electric power.

According to Renault Group chairman Carlos Ghosn: "Renault has added a new dimension to the world of electric vehicles. It's a breakthrough in all-electric motoring that will provide the range needed to make any motorist comfortable choosing electric."

ZOE models fitted with the new battery are expected to be available in Britain in November.



## FORD GIVES FIESTA ST FIVE BY: DAVID WHINYATES



FOR the first time in its history the Ford Fiesta ST hatchback is being made available as a five-door alongside the three-door model.

Applied wisdom in the motor industry has usually dictated that hot hatchbacks should come with three doors, but the decision by Ford to add the five door makes good marketing sense and will make this higher performance version of the Fiesta more attractive to family drivers who still want to get an extra kick out of their motoring.

It will provide additional practicality thanks to easier access to the rear seats for passengers and for parents with small children, while retaining the performance and driving dynamics that earned the

Fiesta ST more than 20 awards around the globe during its first year on sale.

The model's 1.6-litre EcoBoost petrol engine delivers 182PS and 240Nm of torque, enabling 0-62mph acceleration in 6.9 seconds alongside 46.3mpg fuel efficiency and 141g/km CO2 emissions.

The performance-tuned chassis features optimised suspension, steering and brakes, supported by enhanced Torque Vectoring Control – which applies brake force to the inside front wheel when cornering to improve road holding and reduce understeer without affecting speed – and three-mode Electronic Stability Control.

Exclusive exterior styling features

on the ST include 17-inch alloy wheels, unique grille, dynamic headlight design, and a rear diffuser. Recaro seats and unique ST detailing feature inside.

"Growing numbers of customers have been asking us for a five-door version," according to Roelant de Waard, Ford of Europe's vice president, of marketing, sales and service. "The Fiesta ST with five doors makes an affordable Ford Performance driving experience accessible to an even greater number of customers."

Priced from £19,495 in the UK on ST-2 and ST-3 series from October, Ford predicts the new five door model will account for 25 per cent of Fiesta ST sales in Europe.

## EDGY NEW MICRA WOWS PARIS

BY: DAVID WHINYATES

NISSAN has re-invented the Micra – and the latest model, unveiled at the Paris Motor Show, is as revolutionary as the original. For the company's designers have totally abandoned the curvy styling which made the original Micra such a hit with younger drivers and gone for something more dynamic, altogether sharper and decidedly more edgy. In fact the Micra Gen5, as it will be known, represents a complete redefinition of the Micra style. This is a car with the wow factor – light years on from the cutesy styling of the original.

The Micra Gen5 is styled to turn heads, with a dramatic body length-defining character line. It is lower, wider and longer than its predecessors and has more interior space. It also has advanced new lower capacity turbo drivetrains and a full complement of innovative safety features. Exterior and interior personalisation options will allow for the creation of 125 different variations, enabling owners to stamp their own style on their new Micra.

This Gen5 will come with technological features normally found in larger cars including Lane Departure

Prevention, Intelligent Emergency Braking with pedestrian recognition, Intelligent Around View Monitor, Traffic Sign Recognition, High Beam Assist and Blind Spot Warning. Together, these advanced safety features are the building blocks for Autonomous Driving and are an integral part of Nissan Intelligent Mobility, says the company. The interior will feature a 7-inch full colour central display, providing access to the audio system, satellite navigation, mobile phone, downloadable apps and Siri voice control via Apple CarPlay. When the car arrives in showrooms next year it will be available with a choice of a 0.9-litre turbocharged three-cylinder petrol engine or a 1.5-litre diesel, both developing 90hp. The range will be joined soon after by a naturally aspirated 73hp 1.0-litre petrol engine. Says Nissan CEO Carlos Ghosn: "When the first Micra appeared more than 30 years ago, it marked a revolution in the small hatchback segment and opened a new chapter for Nissan. The fifth generation Micra is just as revolutionary, and will raise expectations for what a hatchback can, and should, deliver to its customers."



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### Public Notices

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE**

Notice is hereby given that Vix, Greene King Retailing Ltd have applied to Northampton Borough Council on 28th September 2016 for a variation to a premises licence to use the premises at: Saffields Tavern, Saffields Leisure Complex, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 5QL.

To vary the licensing plans to include the following: Reinstating fire damaged structure - to include new cavity masonry walls and steel frame at ground floor. New stud and load bearing walls at ground and first floor. New floor and wall finishes throughout. New shop fitting, screens and fixed furniture throughout trade areas. Reinstating fire damaged doors and windows. New lighting and electrical positions throughout. New bar counter. New internal signage throughout. New external fencing and surface finishes. For full and further details please view the licensing plans.

Any person who wishes to make a representation in relation to this application must give notice in writing of his/her representation by 26th October 2016 stating the grounds for making said representation to: The Licensing Section, Northampton Borough Council, The Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE. www.northampton.gov.uk/licensing, during normal office hours. The Licensing Authority must receive representations by the date given above. The Licensing Authority will have regard to any such representation in considering the application. It is an offence, under section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in or in connection with an application for premises licence and the maximum fine on summary conviction is unlimited.

### Local Authority Notices

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(SPINNEY HILL ROAD, NORTHAMPTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Spinney Hill Road, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Spinney Hill Road, Northampton from the junction of Kettering Road shops to Oulton Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 14th October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** Use Oulton Rise, Woodcote Avenue and Coppice Drive.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of Law & Governance

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-883400.

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**  
**SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY CT8**  
**PARISH OF HANNINGTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the above Order made by Northamptonshire County Council on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and which came into effect on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2015 has been extended until the works to which it relates have been completed or until midnight on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017 whichever is sooner by the Secretary of State for Transport. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said bridleway is unaffected.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required as works are still continuing and there is still a need to retain the separation of users during construction.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of Law & Governance

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To view the map for this Order please visit [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk) and enter "Temporary Traffic Regulations Orders" in the search box. If you require any further information please contact Judith Plummer on 01865 840 000.

**SCHEDULE**  
(Length of bridleway to be closed)

The existing route of CT8 (part) to be closed begins at point A at National Grid Reference ("NGR") SP8090 7057, on Holcot Road. The route travels generally south east for approximately 838 metres to point B at NGR SP8121 6979. The route is shown by a solid black line between points A - B

**Alternative Route:-** The alternative route starts at point A at NGR SP8090 7057. The route travels generally north west along the grass verge/highway of Holcot Road for approximately 181 metres to point C at NGR SP8103 7069. The route then travels generally south east following the field boundaries for a total distance of approximately 934 metres to point D at NGR SP8160 6999. The route then travels generally south west for approximately 443 metres to point B at NGR SP8121 6979. The alternative route is shown by a broken black line between points A - C - D - B

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**  
**SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(STATION ROAD, LITTLE HOUGHTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Station Road, Little Houghton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Station Road, Little Houghton from the junction of Meadow Lane to Clifford Hill.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during patching works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** Use Station Road, Billing Road and Bedford Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(MEADOW LANE, LITTLE HOUGHTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Meadow Lane, Little Houghton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Meadow Lane, Little Houghton from the junction of Station Road to Bedford Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during patching works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** Use Station Road, Billing Road and Bedford Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/385

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(DALLINGTON ROAD & BARING ROAD, NORTHAMPTON)**  
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of Dallington Road and Baring Road, Northampton as specified in the Schedule below.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for one day.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** Use Warren Road, Harlestone Road and Vicarage Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER  
Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/387

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**SCHEDULE**  
(Lengths of roads to be closed)  
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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BEECH AVENUE, NORTHAMPTON)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Beech Avenue, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Beech Avenue, Northampton from the junction of Broadway East to Birchfield Road East.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for nine days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Broadway Way, Park Avenue north and Birchfield Road East.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER

Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/404

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (HIGH STREET, WOOTTON, NORTHAMPTON)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of High Street, Wootton, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length High Street, Wootton, Northampton from 65 High Street to Wootton Trinity.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during repairs to retaining wall and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted until 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** for eastbound traffic use A45 and Berry Lane and for westbound traffic use Water Lane, Newport Pagnell Road and A45.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER

Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/401

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (ABERDARE ROAD, NORTHAMPTON)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Aberdare Road, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length Aberdare Road, Northampton from the junction of Merthyr Road to Tintern Avenue.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for two days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Merthyr Road, Dallington Road and Tintern Avenue.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER

Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/402

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (TINTERN AVENUE, NORTHAMPTON)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Tintern Avenue, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length Tintern Avenue, Northampton from Dallington Road to Gladstone Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway repairs.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for three days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Gladstone Road, Spence Bridge Road and Baring Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (HIGH STREET, IRLINGBOROUGH)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of High Street, Irlingborough as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of High Street, Irlingborough from outside no. 162.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during a water connection.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for three days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use High Street, Finedon Road, Wellingborough Road, Sidegate Lane, Mill Road and Wellingborough Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER

Director of Law & Governance

PKG/T16/422

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (MOOR ROAD, RUSHDEN)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Moor Road, Rushden as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Moor Road, Rushden from Pemberton Street to Montague Street.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during a new gas connection.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to four days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Fitzwilliam Street, Wellingborough Road and Washbrook Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER

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PKG/T16/428

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (HIGH STREET, POTTERS PURDY)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of High Street, Potterspury as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of High Street, Potterspury from A5 to Church End.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during footway patching and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted until 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use A5 and Poundfield Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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Director of Law & Governance

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (THRAPSTON ROAD, FINEDON)  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Thrapston Road, Finedon as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Thrapston Road, Finedon from A6 roundabout to outside number 15 Thrapston Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use A14 and A6.

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# **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**

## **THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (STATION ROAD, LONG BUCKBY) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Station Road, Long Buckby as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Station Road, Long Buckby from entrance to Surney Farm to entrance of Three Bridges Road works.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during works to Network Rail structure.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted until 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use King Street, West Street, Long Buckby Road, Main Street, Station Road and A5.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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# **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**

## **THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (DERNGATE, NORTHAMPTON) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Derngate, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Derngate, Northampton between St Giles Square and Castilian Street.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway resurfacing.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Bedford Road, Victoria Promenade, Cattle Market Road, Bridge Street, Mercers Row and Wood Hill.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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# **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**

## **THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BEMBRIDGE DRIVE, NORTHAMPTON) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Bembridge Drive, Northampton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Bembridge Drive, Northampton from Studland Road to Thornton Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during carriageway repairs and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted until 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Studland Road and Thornton Road.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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# **NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015**

### **NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13**

## **PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990 THE TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2011**

### **APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

**N/2016/1026. Hill Cottage, 2 Willow Lane**

Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of two storey extension, removal existing roof to side addition with new roof & roof light. *Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1143. 6 Main Road, Duston**

Proposed single storey rear extension. *Within a conservation area*

**N/2016/1175. First Floor, 18 Market Square**

Change of use of first floor from financial & professional services (Use Class A2) to Non-Residential Institutions (Use Class D1) as Tai Chi and Yoga centre. *Within a conservation area.*

*Listed building*

**N/2016/1179. 19 Edith Street**

Demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of single storey extension to form fourth bedroom.

**N/2016/1191. 13 Market Square**

Change of use from Financial & Professional Services (Use Class A2) to Restaurants/cafes (Use Class A3). *Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1213. 13 Market Square**

Listed Building consent application for erection of internal walls and doors. *Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1211. Zone E, Nectar Way**

Reserved matters application pursuant to outline planning permission N/2007/1570 (erection of 625 dwellings and local centre) to replan 13 units (plots 547 to 559). *Major application.*

**N/2016/1235. 37B High Street, Kingsthorpe**

Single storey rear extension. *Within a conservation area*

**N/2016/1216. Northampton & County Club, 8B George Row**

Change of use in part from Estate Agent (Use Class A2) to coffee shop/restaurant (Use Class A3)

*Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1265. Welsh House, 2 Newland Walk**

Installation of new supply and extract ventilation. *Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1266. Welsh House, 2 Newland Walk**

Listed Building Consent application for installation of new supply and extract ventilation *Within a conservation area. Listed building*

**N/2016/1284. 96 Abington Street**

Change of use from Cafe (Use Class A1) to restaurant and take-away and erection of fume extraction flue. *Affecting the setting of a conservation area.*

**N/2016/1281. 27 Drapery**

Change of use of fourth floor to two residential apartments & installation of rooflights.

*Within a conservation area*

*Members of the public may inspect copies of any application, plans and any other documentation submitted by visiting the Council Offices, One Stop Shop, The Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE during all reasonable office hours. Alternatively the plans can be viewed via the Council's website (www.northampton.gov.uk) using the Search for Planning Applications page. This will also tell you the current status of the application together with other useful information. Anyone who wishes to make representations about any applications should write to the Planning Division, Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DE or email planning@northampton.gov.uk by: 27/10/2016. S P Boyes, Director, Regeneration, Enterprise & Planning*

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# **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**

## **THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH UG8 (PART) - PARISH OF RAUNDS) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which is to prohibit all pedestrians from proceeding along that length of Public Footpath UG8 in the Parish of Raunds as specified below. Private access to land or premises adjacent to the said length of footpath is unaffected.

**RIGHT OF WAY TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** The existing route of UG8 (part) to be closed begins at point A at National Grid Reference (NGR) TL0039 7316, on Midland Road. The route travels generally north east for approximately 127 metres to point B at NGR TL0049 7324.

The route is shown by a solid black line between points A - B.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for the commencement of development and clearing works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The Order will come into effect on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of six months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for this Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of notices.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** The alternative route starts at point A at NGR TL0039 7316. The route travels generally south east for approximately 102 metres to point C at NGR TL0047 7309. The route then heads generally north east for approximately 154 metres to point D at NGR TL0060 7317. The route then travels generally north west for approximately 133 metres to point B at NGR TL0049 7324.

The alternative route is shown by a broken black line between points A - C - D - B.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016

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**Hi I'm Angie**, attractive petite mid 50s lady. I'm a very active lady, with lots of interests. WLTm chap with GSOH, looks/age unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424333

**SUSIE**, 36yrs, attractive, tall slim blonde seeks fifty shades of grey with discreet gent, must have a fun side looks unimportant. Tel: 0906 515 3036 Box 424045

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**Hi Gents**, I'm Kelly, a down to earth lady, 35yrs, shapely brunette, seeking someone with GSOH, looks unimportant, any age. ACA, I promise! Tel: 0906 515 3024 Box 423035

**SICK** of being stuck on the shelf, Jenny, 45, attractive female seeks N/S caring male 42-55 who feels the same to share adult companionship, meals in/out, possibly LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424225

**SUSIE**, 42yrs loves life, educated, brunette, own home, works to hard and now wants some fun. If you are a kind gent 30+ then text me for a chat. Box: 4187170

**DEBBIE**, looking for LTR, hopefully to find my soul mate, I'm bubbly, caring and have a love of rock music, looking for some nice times and someone with a GSOH. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424135

**DIANNA**, petite blonde lady, 38yrs, divorced, no kids, wants to spice up her life with new male friends, 35+, might lead to more who knows but no strings. ACA. Box: 4027026

**NAOMI**, 43, attractive fun loving female with lots of love to offer a genuine caring guy. Come on, lets share all the good things life has to offer together! Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424085

**AMY** 31yr old single mum, new to the area, looking to meet male companion to help make me settle in and feel special again, age/status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424051

**LYN**, 39yrs, dark hair and blue eyes, WLTm action man of any age for fun and games. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423899

**ABI** 40yr old very happily divorced female looking for similar male 35-50yrs to enjoy nights in romancing, chatting and making each other smile again. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423255

**ELLA**, 46, slim confident brunette, tired of spending lonely nights alone, seeking honest, romantic male to enjoy nights out, hopefully leading to more. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 424015

**LINDA**, blonde green eyed lady with nice figure, likes gym, meals out, music, looking for male to enjoy fun times, status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423879

**SUSAN** divorced female 44, OHAC, no ties, loves to keep fit and look good, WLTm mature guy to fall in love with. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423849

**YOUNG** 22yr professional, outgoing, attractive blonde looking for a serious guy for country walks and maybe more. Text only Mailbox: 5531676

**SHEILA**, beautiful lady, the colour of the sun, I am brown, I am looking for somebody caring, honest, loving, solvent, somebody who wants a serious relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422689

**RUTH**, 41, single mum fed up with child play, looking for adult relationship with attractive loving guy. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423629

**CARRIE** single 29yr old slim pretty Care Assistant, looking for a fun guy for night's in/out, good times, love and laughter. Give me a ring. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423489

**FEMALE**, kind, loving, honest, caring, no attachments to any other man, I am looking for a kind, loving, honest, caring male, somebody with no attachment to another woman, white and rich. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422469

**55 year old female** looking for friendship, meals out, coffee, chats, work part time and carer for parent. Text only Mailbox: 5517508

**ATTRACTIVE** energetic mature lady, looking for well-travelled, solvent companion for holidays, dining out and days away. Text only Mailbox: 5502846

**BEV** 32, fit, petite, very pretty, trendy with a great figure and big personality, loves animals, children and WLTm fun male to be my soul mate. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423473

**CILLA**, 40, tall blue eyed size 12 brunette, loves horses, country/beam walks, cosy nights in front of fire, good wine/food, WLTm similar male who appreciates my interests. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422009

**CAROL**, 38, slim gorgeous brunette with lots of interests looking to put some romance back into life, seeking willing male to spoil rotten and love. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423439

**CAROLINE**, slim attractive 40's fit female, OHAC, divorced and ready to be romanced again, seeks similar minded male. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423301

**CHRISTIAN** male, 50, likes church, music, travel, meals out, seeks Christian female, 40-50, Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 370604

**CATHY** attractive 35yr singleton, varied interests, looking for trustworthy male for companionship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423231

**JOHN**, 42yrs sophisticated business man wanting a lady by his side to spoil and entertain. Looks unimportant but must have a super personality and kind manner. Box 4086072

**66YR** old male, 6ft, widower, N/S, clean shaven, smart, likes social outings, holidays, music, dancing, seeks well dressed female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 394741

**MALE** 60's, 6ft, N/S, nice looking, likes music, dancing, travel, seeking female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 395423

**60'S** gent widower, N/S, likes countryside, keeping fit, WLTm nice well dressed lady to take out on weekends/eves to see a show or something. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 404581

**WHITE** curvy lady any age required by handsome black professional male, for discreet casual adult fun. No time wasters pls. Text only Mailbox: 5066605

**JOANNE** can you please call, you left a message on 21st August but no phone number. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 395903

**WIDOWER**, 73, GSOH, n/s, enjoys walking, restaurants and good company, hate being lonely, nobody to talk to, looking for a companion to share my life with. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423961

**40YR** old easy going guy, athletic and loves life is looking for some fun with a like-minded girl. Text only Mailbox: 5545609

**STEVE** seeks Connie from Daventry, lost your number. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 350411

**CHRISTIAN** male, 50, likes church, music, travel, meals out, seeks Christian female, 40-50, Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 370604

**MALE** 70's throwback, likes music, just complete college course, seeks similar or younger in Northants. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 398103

**YOUNG** 66-year-old attractive male would love to meet lovely lady for friendship, to enjoy meals out etc. Text only Mailbox: 5536750

**CARING** male, 48, many interests including music, films, meals out and holidays, WLTm loving, n/s lady, 39-54, for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422517

**MALE** 44, WLTm lady/single mum for friendship, maybe more. Text only Mailbox: 5535244

**67 year old widower** looking for lady similar age, for friendship, maybe more. Text only Mailbox: 5514467

**ATTRACTIVE** open-minded male 57, seeks open-minded female any age or status to share adult times. Text only Mailbox: 5410860

**MALE**, attractive, tall, medium build and intelligent would like to meet genuine mature caring lady who wishes for a sincere relationship. Text only Mailbox: 5537519

**WELL** made broad male, 5ft 10ins, medium build, looking for some adult fun with lovely sexy lady for possible LTR. Text only Mailbox: 5321154

**TERRY**, 51, very kind male, enjoys cinema, eating out, live concerts, travel, WLTm loving lady, 38-55, for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423945

**MALE** 62 young looking, kind hearted, interests cooking, gardening, sport looking for LTR. Text only Mailbox: 4631948

**GEORGE** 48, seeking mature female 50 to 80 for no strings adult fun. Text only Mailbox: 5525079

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# Herald & Post Sport

## Town run out of steam versus 'Gas'

### GRIPPED BY THE COBBLERS

BY TOM REED

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A tired looking Northampton Town were put to bed late by Bristol Rovers at Sixfields on Saturday.

The team whose fans sing 'Goodnight Irene' proved the stuff of nightmares after Rovers claimed a 92nd-minute win.

The Bristol club's other nickname is the 'Gas' and that proved apt as Darrell Clarke's men motored over Town in the second half, with Cobblers spluttering to a halt after a steady start.

On a weekend where Spurs showed the effectiveness of pressing and in-your-face football, Town again let their opposition boss possession.

While Rovers played like the Keanu Reeves film 'Speed' performing at breakneck pace with an unpredictable conclusion, Cobblers were all a bit 'Driving Miss Daisy'.

On a soggy day, Cobblers snatched the opener after just nine minutes with a route one goal from an Adam Smith goal kick, which found its way to Alex Revell, who chipped Rovers' onrushing keeper.

Town looked solid at the back with Zander Diamond shining and keeping Rovers; combative strike pairing of Ellis Harrison and Rory Gaffney at bay.

Harrison in particular had a bad-tempered first half, but that just highlighted the frustration of leading a side that played pretty possession football but appeared to have no killer instinct.

Cobblers emerged unchanged for the second period and this is where events rapidly unravelled. Quite simply there are question marks over several of Town's players' ability to last a full 90 minutes at present.

It was inevitable then that Rovers, on counter attack mode would find holes in a fatigued Northampton defence and they did so on the hour mark via a from Gaffney shot deflected off O'Toole.

Cobblers keeper Smith continues to both delight and frustrate and the Town stopper should have got a stronger hand to Peter Hartley's 71st-minute header which gave the Gas a 2-1 lead.

Rovers fans chanted 'Yellows' for their daffodil shirted players but Town looking distinctly green around the gills.

Northampton's prognosis then took a fatal turn for the worse after a brief reprieve following a Revell leveller when Gabriel Zakuani received a red for a second bookable offence by the stand-in referee.

Original whistler Graham Horwood had gone off holding a pulled muscle but it was town fans who had their heads in their hands in added time when Chelsea loanee Colkett drilled through Smith's legs at the back post to seal a 3-2 win.

Northampton travel to table toppers Scunthorpe on Saturday, fully capable of a win if Page puts faith in the players with the kind of verve and vigour that Rovers showcased.

# Apathy is the real winner as Town are knocked out

### COBBLERS

COVENTRY CITY 3  
NORTHAMPTON TOWN 1

BY MATT WRIGHT

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Given the sparse crowds the Checkatrade Trophy has attracted this season, it's unlikely many a tear will be shed over Northampton Town's elimination from it following this tame defeat at Coventry City.

Their second straight loss in this competition means they now cannot qualify out of Southern Group D and that they have a dead rubber against West Ham's reserves at Sixfields to 'look forward to' next month.

A Cobblers team that showed nine changes from Saturday's loss to Bristol Rovers looked disoriented from the start, but at least now there are more important matters to attend to.

If the atmosphere was a bit flat around kick-off, the football certainly wasn't as Coventry broke through after 19 seconds, as Dan Ageyi was allowed to waltz through some static defending.

Amazingly, Northampton were level before 90 seconds had been played as Marc Richards was left completely unmarked to turn in JJ Hooper's low cross from close range to notch his 50th goal for the club.

But the Cobblers were soon behind again, with their defending almost non-existent, as the lively Jodi Jones was able to cut inside from the right before bending his effort into the far corner.

It remained 2-1 to the hosts at half-time as the match settled down, although Cornell had to push out a long-range blast from Vladimir Gadzhev to keep it that way soon after the restart.

The Bulgarian was then replaced by Ruben Lameiras after 65 minutes as within seconds, the Portuguese had taken down Lewis Page's long pass and lofted a sumptuous lob over Cornell to double Coventry's lead and seal the match.

Here's what we learned from the game...

### The gaffer

We may not be seeing Rob Page go with a 4-4-2 formation again for a while. After initially starting with Hooper partnering Richards up top, he quickly realised the formation was leaving his team way too open.

He'll hardly have expected his team to conceded two goals in the first seven minutes, but at least there was a reaction, as a more familiar 4-1-4-1 was set up.

Unfortunately for Page, his substitutions didn't quite have the immediate effect of Lameiras', especially as one of his - Harry Beautyman - had to limp off again.

### Could be better

It goes without saying that Northampton's defending in the first half falls in this category as the back four unfortunately decided to begin the game about 20 minutes after everybody else, either backing off or allowing opponents to run in behind them too easily.

Understandably, a few players looked rusty - this was Rod McDonald's first action of the sea-



NIGHT TO FORGET: Harry Beautyman raises his arms in frustration

son and a raw Emmanuel Sonupe couldn't settle into the game before being hooked at half-time.

Not a goal-fest was the answer, but a decent watch nonetheless.

### The opposition

Typically, Coventry look like a team reborn since last week's resignation of manager Tony Mowbray as they picked up their second win in a matter of days to secure their place in the next round.

Jones was comfortably the pick of the bunch and could be a name to watch out for - although he'll be pressed harder than this in most of the games he goes on to play.

### Football funnies

Confession time: so flat was the atmosphere before kick-off that this reporter was fearing a boring 0-0 and two hours of his life he'd never get back from a competition that only seems to be generating apathy.

Two minutes of said life later and it was 1-1 following a crazy start that left the hardy few inside wondering what this was going to end up as.

## Page and Taylor nominated for Manager and Player of the Month

Northampton Town's good form in League One in September has been recognised by the EFL, as manager Rob Page and midfielder Matt Taylor have been nominated for monthly awards.

The Cobblers won four out of their five league games last month, which has left them riding high in the play-off positions in the early stages of what is their first season in the third tier of English football since 2008/09.

It has led to Page being

nominated for League One's Manager of the Month award, alongside David Flitcroft (Bury), Keith Hill (Rochdale) and his predecessor in the Sixfields hot seat, Chris Wilder, who has managed to turn around Sheffield United's form after a difficult start.

Taylor has been nominated for Player of the Month alongside August winner Josh Morris (Scunthorpe), Bury striker James Vaughan and Blackpool goalkeeper

Colin Doyle.

The former Portsmouth and West Ham man has been a class act in Northampton's midfield over the last month, in which the 34-year-old scored three goals, including stunning free kicks against MK Dons and Southend.

The winners for both awards, along with their equivalents for the Championship and League Two, will be announced on Friday morning.



TOP FORM: Matt Taylor has impressed in the Cobblers' midfield



## Northampton searching for yet more joy at the Stoop

### Mallinder shooting for European glory

#### SAINTS

Jim Mallinder knows it is a tough ask, against some old foes, but make no mistake about it: Northampton Saints have European Rugby Champions Cup glory in their sights.

The Saints have not gone past the quarter-final stage of European Rugby's premier club competition since 2011, but the experienced director of rugby is desperate to surpass the club's second-place finish that year.

Northampton were crowned Europe's finest for the only time in 2000 and they will need to be at their best if they are to finish in the top two of Pool 4, which they share with Leinster, Montpellier and Castres.

"We are hoping to win the competition; it is as simple as that," Mallinder said. "We have won it in the past and I was involved in the team a few years back that had a fantastic run to the final and lost a magnificent game in Cardiff."

"We have been there and been very close, we know how it feels to have a successful run and it is something that we would love to achieve again this year."

"Domestic games are tough but you know what you are getting when you go to the likes of Harlequins or Saracens because you do that every year. It is good and exciting but when you play a Champions Cup game it is very, very exciting because things are different and a different level."

"In the first few rounds it is vital that you get a good start, get off to winning ways and get some points on the board."

Mallinder, whose troops kick off their European campaign against Montpellier on October 15, added: "We have had some great games with Leinster and they are a quality side with some great history so they will be great to play back-to-back in December," he added.

"We have played Castres a number of times and they are a strong side and very difficult to beat, especially down there, and they have been going well in their domestic competition."

"We have not played Montpellier for a while but we saw them play in pre-season and they have lots of good players, with a big South African influence there, with some massive forwards and they did very well to qualify for this competition last year."

"We have three tough teams but all are exciting and a massive challenge."



**FINAL TWIST:** Ben Foden runs in Northampton's dramatic winning try at Harlequins in February, which saw Saints win 27-23 in the final play

#### SAINTS

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Northampton Saints will look to make it back-to-back wins when they travel to Harlequins on Saturday, but whatever happens at the Stoop, the finish is unlikely to match what was produced in that fixture last season.

On a windy February afternoon, Saints found themselves 23-20 down going into the final minute when they turned the ball over deep in Quins' territory.

All the hosts had to do was win the scrum, give the ball to Ben Botica, who would boot the ball into the stands and the game was lost for Northampton. As we know, that's not how it turned out.

Botica, now of Saints' first European opponents Montpellier, somehow failed to find touch with the clock dead and a few phases

later Ben Foden ran in the most dramatic of winning tries to seal a 27-23 victory.

Northampton backs coach Alex King said of that day: "It just goes to show it's down to those fine margins. Everyone assumed that the game was over, but it was a strange old finish and I'm glad we took advantage of it."

"We actually played really well and obviously they had an opportunity to kick the ball out at the end and they didn't and it was an important game in the context of our season because I think we kicked on and had a pretty decent last three months."

"But that's all in the past, we just want to build on last week and back it up with another big performance."

Last Friday's 20-19 victory over Exeter Chiefs at Franklin's Gardens may have been tense and it may have been last-gasp, due to Harry Mallinder's late winning

penalty, but it brought an overdue reward for some good performances in the last few weeks.

Northampton's last three fixtures saw them come up against the teams who occupied the top three positions in last season's Premiership and against none of Saracens, Wasps or Exeter did they appear overawed.

King said: "The margins between winning and losing are tiny, aren't they? At Saracens we were good for 60 minutes and the [Alex Waller sin-binning] incident happens and suddenly the game goes away from you."

"Wasps was a game we should have won at home and Exeter was a tough start, where we had to dig ourselves out of a little bit of a hole."

"We had an incredible team try that Hutch [Rory Hutchinson] scores off the back of George North's incredible run and the confidence is then back in the

team and we edge out the game in the end from one of Harry's kicks."

"It's those fine margins that you want to be on the right side of and you make sure you get the results to give you some momentum and the confidence going into [the rest of] the season."

Northampton have certainly posed an attacking threat in the last couple of games, with the only criticism being that their play would have been rewarded with more tries with some better finishing, but it's a welcome contrast to this point last year, where the backs were struggling to make an impact.

"It's on the back of a good step-piece," King said, adding: "There's a real mind-set about how we want to play and we've played some good stuff."

"There are areas to improve, but the key thing is that intent to play and to play into space, getting excited when we have the ball."

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# Trophy gives Marc an empty feeling



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## COBBLERS

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Striker Marc Richards admitted it was a 'funny feeling' stepping on to the field for Northampton Town in front of a mostly empty stadium following Tuesday night's 3-1 defeat against Coventry City in the Checkatrade Trophy.

A pitiful crowd of 2,085 (including 153 hardy Cobblers fans) rattled around the 32,000-capacity Ricoh Arena and the scene was repeated across the country for matches in the much-maligned competition.

Thankfully for those that did turn up, the football was a bit livelier than the somewhat eerie atmosphere inside the ground, even if it did result in the Cobblers' elimination following their second straight defeat.

Richards, who scored his first goal of the season during the game said: "It had a funny feeling to it – it didn't make our approach to the game any different, but to play in such a big stadium with so little fans made it feel a bit 'out there'.

"Nevertheless, the lads approached the game in the best possible manner and I thought we put in a hard-working performance, but at the end of the day Coventry are a good team.

"They potentially had a new manager in the stands and they had to put on a really good performance, which they have done. They moved the ball around really well.

"We've made a few changes, we had a few younger heads out there and I thought we did alright in spells, but they were a good team tonight."

Richards' goal in the second minute, which equalised Dan Agyei's opener after 19 seconds, also brought up a landmark for the 34-year-old as it was his 50th across his two spells at the Cobblers.

Due to a combination of Alex Revell's form and a nagging Achilles injury, Richards has had to be patient when it comes to getting game time this season, but he is proud of his achievement, even if it did come at a low-key setting.

Richards said: "Just to be a part of that is pleasing for myself and my family and it just shows the hard work I've put in over the last couple of seasons.

"I've been hit with a couple of injuries over the last couple of seasons and I'd like to think that I might have hit a few more goals in that time, but to get 50 goals for the club is brilliant.

"Obviously I'm delighted to get on the score sheet, but first and foremost we've lost the game so the lads are disappointed in the changing room."

## CRICKET

# Long-serving duo retained by Northants

Northamptonshire have been boosted by the news that wicketkeeper David Murphy and batsman Rob Newton have both signed one-year contract extensions with the county, taking them through the 2017 season.

Murphy, who came through Northants' successful academy, was a reliable performer behind the stumps for David Ripley's side this season, as he took 33 catches in 11 County Championship games. He has also appeared in eight ODIs and four T20s for Scotland, with all of his caps being won in 2013.

Newton is another name to have come through the system at Wantage Road and although his year started slowly, the 26-year-old ended the campaign in sparkling form.

He struck three centuries during this season's County Championship, including a career-best 202 not out against Leicestershire in August, scoring a total of 810 runs at an average of 50.62.

Northants head coach Ripley said: "I am delighted to have 'Mr Reliable' back on board for another season. Murph is very popular with everybody at the club, players, staff and supporters and is a top professional."

"Rob finished the season very strongly with important runs at the top of the order. He had a fine 50-over competition too and offers strong competition for white ball places."



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